

NEWS

# Emil Kraus dies at age 91



The city of Grayling has recently lost a resourceful businessman and dedicated community member in the form of Emil Kraus, who died on Dec. 14 at the age of 91. He is survived by his wife, Laurine Kraus. **3A**

SPORTS

## Put-back at 0:04 mark wins it for Grayling



In a varsity girls basketball game that featured a wild finish, the Grayling Vikings defeated the visiting Boyne City Ramblers 48-47 with a basket — a put-back by forward Abbey Thomas — in the final seconds of Friday night's league contest. **1B**

## Vikings defeat TCSF, Kalkaska in conference wrestling opener



Grayling High School's varsity wrestling squad defeated Traverse City St. Francis and Kalkaska in a three-team conference meet — Grayling's first league meet of the 2008-2009 season — held at GHS last Thursday. **1B**

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Santa Claus stopped in partway through the auction to say hello to the cub scouts in between bids on tasty treats. The event gave both kids and adults the opportunity to make a difference in their community.

## Cub scouts raise over \$800 for local charities

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

Cub Scout Pack #3993 is one of the many local organizations that decided to raise some money for a charitable cause this holiday season. Although they hosted an event featuring tasty treats, it was no typical bake sale. On Dec. 8, the pack hosted a cake auction in order to help less fortunate kids their own age.

"What we decided to do this year was make it a bigger event," cubmaster Tony Shambarger said.

This was the pack's second annual Cake and Cookie Auction. This year, all proceeds from the cake auction went to the "Cops for Kids" charity hosted by the Crawford County Deputy Sheriff's Association (CCDSA). "Cops for Kids" is a program that uses donations to allow local

police officers to assist kids and families who need extra financial help during the holidays.

"The kids in our community really need a lot of help," Shambarger said.

Shambarger felt that this would be an even more effective use of the event's funds than last year, when proceeds were used to buy backpacks for needy kids.

"Over \$600 went to the See **CUB SCOUTS** | 7A

## Winter weather hits Crawford County hard

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

Odds are, it's snowing outside. Ever since mid-November, Crawford County has been enveloped in a seemingly endless winter storm. So far, the winter of 2008 has been one of the harshest in years, and there are no signs of things slowing down anytime soon.

While this is nothing but good news for many local businesses that rely on winter tourism dollars, it presents an extra challenge for local motorists and homeowners.

"We've been in a consistent cold pattern," National Weather Service meteorologist Mike Boguth said.

While most winters tend to start more slowly as warm air patterns melt the early snow, the consistently cold weather has allowed the snow to keep piling up.

"The snow that has fallen has simply not melted," Boguth said.

The consistently low temperatures have allowed cold Canadian air to ooze south into the northern Michigan region, further reinforcing chilly weather. Lake effect snowfall is also playing a bigger role than usual this year.

"It has led to pretty unusual snowfall for this time of year," Boguth said.

In Gaylord, this is one of the deepest snow packs ever recorded for this time of year. He said the snowfall levels should be similar in much of Crawford County.

"If it keeps up this pace, granted, it will be seeing records," Boguth said. "It has been a snowy start to winter. There's no getting around that."

See **WINTER WEATHER** | 10A

## Library dreams of a "green" Christmas

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

With a white Christmas pretty much guaranteed for Grayling residents this year, library officials are urging the people of Crawford County to make their holidays a little more "green" as well.

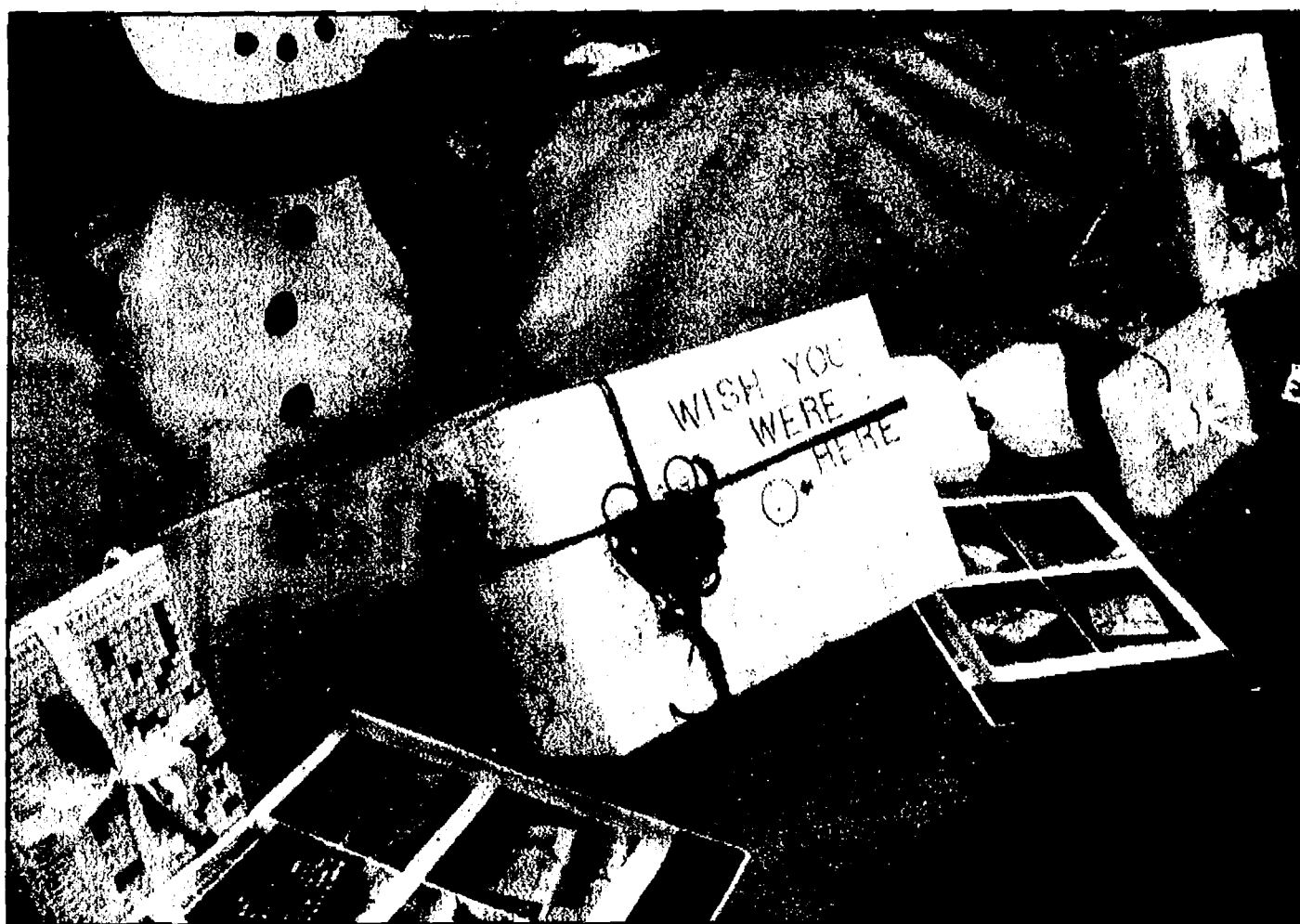
For this reason, the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library is sporting a public showcase designed to help make this December "an eco-friendly holiday season."

The showcase features arts and crafts, as well as books for kids and adults, that promote environmental awareness during the holiday season.

The awareness program, called "I'm Dreaming of a Green Christmas," featured a special presentation for adults on Dec. 9. The presentation started with recycling information from santa-hat wearing Township Supervisor Terry Wright.

Next, librarian Jane Gyulveszi showed off some ways in which regular household "junk" can be recycled to create the perfect holiday gift wrap.

"Whenever someone gives you a gift, don't throw that ribbon out. Save it," said See **LIBRARY** | 7A



All of the presents pictured above are wrapped in reused materials, including a newspaper page, an old map, bubble wrap and old paper bags. With a little extra time, these techniques allow some creativity while reducing damage to both the wallet and the environment.

## Stolen van, wheelchair recovered after putting family through agony

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Veres family in Grayling received an early holiday blessing last week, when their stolen van and the wheelchair inside were returned.

A 1995 Chevy Lumina, belonging to Cheryl Veres, was stolen from a parking area near her apartment on Lawndale Street between midnight and 3 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11.

The theft of the van was critical because it is the sole mode of transportation for Veres, her son Ryan, age 6, and Royce, age 10. But even more critical, a wheelchair used by Royce, who was diagnosed with Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome, when he

was an infant, was inside the van. The disease affects a person's growth, mental functioning and mobility.

Royce can walk, but the wheelchair is used as a means to provide quality of life when the family goes for walks, shopping trips and to sport events.

"He's such a big kid, but his mind is like a 2-year-old," Veres said. "It's really more so we can get out of the house."

Veres, who is enrolled in classes to get her registered nursing degree at Kirtland Community College, was preparing for final exams the night before the van disappeared. She and a friend were also preparing for a Christmas party the nursing students were hosting for

area deaf children.

Veres attends the school full-time, through grant funding, then tends to the boys when she is at home. Her son Royce attends classes at the Crawford Oscoda Ogemaw Roscommon Intermediate School District. She receives support from her father, Bill Brooks, who bought the van six years ago, and her mother and step-father Linda and Farrell Thomas.

"Taking care of Royce is a full-time job," Veres said.

Veres borrowed a car and managed to get through her final college exams, but knew there was no way to replace the van.

"I was pretty torn up and traumatized," she said.

Veres acknowledged that she made a mistake leaving the keys inside the van, adding it would be ideal to have a keyless safety lock as an added safety measure.

"I don't want to be fumbling for keys while trying to get Royce in and out of the van," she said. "In two steps, he can walk to the back of the van and be hit by a car."

Ultimately, a friend of the Veres family discovered the van in the parking lot of the Grayling Family Practice Clinic early Friday evening. An employee at the doctor's office said the van had been parked there for two days.

Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy John McDonald dusted the van for fingerprints and collect-



Royce Veres

ed evidence from the van's interior.

Veres said she was in tears when she came to Grayling Family Practice Clinic to find the van and the wheelchair still inside, adding that the entire ordeal was a bit-sweet experience.

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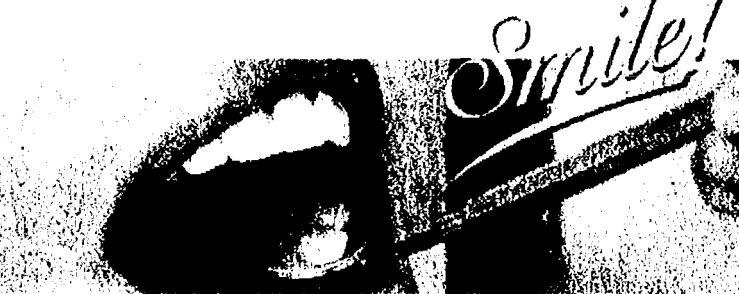
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## Grayling Housing Commission Board hires familiar face to serve as director

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A veteran Grayling Housing Commission employee was recently handed the reigns of the organization.

Jennie Hatfield recently assumed the role of the director of the Grayling Housing Commission. She took the place of Guy Quigley, the Grayling Housing Commission director for 25 years who retired in June due to medical issues.

The Grayling Housing Commission owns, manages and maintains 88 public housing units in the City of Grayling on the southeast side of the community. The Housing Commission's public housing program is the main reduced-rent housing program for assisting low-income families, seniors and persons with disabilities.

In addition, the Grayling Housing Commission operates the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program for very low income individuals within a 30 mile radius of Grayling. The program is funded through and monitored by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Hatfield, a Grayling native, is no stranger to the Grayling Housing Commission. She has over 22 years of experience with the organization. Hatfield started out at the agency as a clerk and has served as the coordinator for the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program for 18 years.

Hatfield said her biggest challenge in taking the helm of the Grayling Housing Commission is learning the HUD reporting methods.

"It's been a challenge and it's jump in, get your feet wet and learn the quick way," Hatfield said.

Hatfield has revived the Grayling Housing Commission's tenant Council.

"We're getting a little bigger group each time we meet and gaining some valuable input from the residents, which we like to see," Hatfield said.

Hatfield has also started producing a newsletter for residents and has instituted a Neighborhood Watch program. On Saturday, Dec. 20, the Grayling Housing Commission is hosting a Christmas party for its residents and families.

Yvonne Andersen, chairwoman of the Grayling Housing Commission Board and tenant council, said Hatfield was the right fit for the director's position and appreciates the outreach efforts she has started in the tight-knit community.

"She's done a good job, she's been there a long time and she's very capable of handling it," Andersen said. "Everything is above board with her and if there's a problem, she gets on it right away."

Grayling Housing Commission resident Margaret Hayes said she has known Hatfield since she was a youngster.

"She is more than capable to handle the job and she's such a good lady," Hayes said.

Hatfield is currently working as the director while she still administers the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program until a new employee can join the Grayling Housing Commission staff in January.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Jennie Hatfield (above) recently assumed the role of the director of the Grayling Housing Commission. She took the place of Guy Quigley, the former Grayling Housing Commission director who retired due to medical issues in June.

"Time has been the biggest challenge, trying to juggle two full-time jobs," Hatfield said.

The Housing Commission's staff is currently taking an inventory of the rental units and scheduling repairs and maintenance of the units.

Another focus Hatfield is working on is differentiating the missions of the Grayling Housing Commission and the Grayling Senior Center. The Grayling Senior Center, operated by the Crawford County Commission on Aging, provides services, meals and a meeting place for seniors, while the Housing Commission strictly focuses on housing.

Hatfield said the organizations will work hand-in-

hand while serving their respective missions.

"It's two agencies working in the same building," Hatfield said. "I look forward to growing and building our rapport together and I think we're going in the right direction."

Hatfield is married to her husband Barry. The couple have two children, Carrie and Jason, and three grandchildren. The family follows Jason, who is an avid canoe paddler and AuSable River Canoe Marathon participant.

Hatfield enjoys reading, cross-country skiing, jogging and working in her flower garden.

"There is never enough time to sit out there and enjoy that," Hatfield said.

## Crawford County, township officials to meet in hopes of salvaging recycling

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Grayling Charter Township officials have opted to hold off on trashing the out of township recycling program for a month,

in order to give township and county officials time to find funding to keep recyclables out of the local landfill.

In November, the Grayling Charter Township Board voted to discontinue the recycling program offered to other townships in the county effective Jan. 1, 2009. Township officials have said that they will no longer subsidize the cost of offering the program to Lovells, Beaver Creek and South Branch Township - to the tune of \$41,500 a year. The funds are used to pay staff at the Grayling Township Transfer Station and Recycling Center to unload the trailers and sort the recyclables. Township officials, however, plan to continue the recycling program at the Grayling High School, which is funded by a \$2,000 environmental grant from the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright said Grayling High School students, jail inmates and people on probation work off community service hours unloading the trailers. In addition, employees from area businesses and community organizations also volunteer labor.

"Occasionally, that happens, but not very often," Wright said.

Wright said it's nice to have help from the Crawford County Jail, but it's a Catch-22 when there is increased crime in the community.

"They can't guarantee enough people," Wright said.

Wright said townships were asked to help fund the program over a year ago, but no contributions were forthcoming. Currently, the recycling center employs two part-time employees and one full-time employee. Crawford County helps fund employees with an \$8,000 contribution.

Now, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners is being asked to double their contribution to \$16,000 or take over the operation of the recycling center.

Wright said that labor is needed to handle the increased volume of recycled materials.

"There's a lot of work that goes on down there on the days we're open, but also on the days we're not open to citizens, there's a lot of work to do," Wright said.

The township receives about \$18,500 a year from sale of the recycled materials to Waste Management's Recycle America in Saginaw.

The market for recycled materials has taken a recent dip due to a decreased demand from China and other Asian countries, the decreased cost of petroleum and the overall slow economy.

"We're still committed," said John Wolverton, site manager for Recycle America.

Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo said a meeting with township officials will be held next week to determine if funding can be procured to save the program.

Along with funding labor costs at the recycling center, the county purchased the recycling trailers.

"It's evolved into being quite a decent program and it's worth trying to preserve," Compo said.

In 1996, Crawford County settled a lawsuit against City Environmental Services, the former owners of the Waters landfill, when the firm attempted to bring garbage from counties not included in Crawford County's solid waste plan into the county. The funds support the environmental monitor position held by Bruce Patrick and the environmental grant program.

Grayling Charter Township is currently selling permits to use its transfer station for \$60. Wright said officials are still studying a tax levy ballot issue that would provide the stickers for every improved property in the township - properties with homes and outbuildings.

"We're still working on that problem and a lot of that could depend on what the commissioners come up with," Wright said.

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## Emil Kraus dies at age 91

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

The city of Grayling has recently lost a resourceful businessman and dedicated community member in the form of Emil Kraus, who died on Dec. 14 at the age of 91. He is survived by his wife, Laurine Kraus.

Kraus was born in Grayling in 1919 and spent his entire life dedicated to the community in which he was raised.

He graduated from Grayling High School in 1934 and was president of his class.

He attended the University of Detroit and earned his law degree from

the University of Michigan.

He joined the United States Coast Guard in 1942 and served as an executive officer on the Coast Guard Cutter Marion.

Kraus married his first wife, Amelia, in 1945. The couple had two daughters, Mary and Amy.

The ship he was on was charged with patrolling the Atlantic Ocean for enemy ships and submarines during World War II. He earned the rank of lieutenant senior grade.

In 1965, he was sworn in as a Probate Judge for Crawford County and served for 24 years.

"I practiced before him when I was a young

lawyer," local judge John Hunter said. "My biggest feeling about him was that he was a compassionate judge. He cared about people."

Alton Davis, a Michigan Court of Appeals judge from Grayling and former chief judge for the 46th Circuit Trial Court, who also worked closely with Kraus, echoed Hunter's sentiments.

"He was very good ... he was very fond of saying that he was more of a practical judge than a lawyer judge," Davis said.

He also served on the Grayling State Bank's board of directors.

After his first wife died in 1967, Kraus married Laurine and the couple had two daughters, Catherine and Margaret.

He was best known as a savvy businessman, having purchased the Ben Franklin store on Michigan Ave. from his father in 1947 and doubling the size of the building in 1948.

Throughout most of the second half of the twentieth century, he was running two retail stores in addition to his private practice.

Grayling resident John Cherven, Kraus' nephew, used to spend his summers working in one of Kraus' stores.

"He was just a great uncle and a great employer at the same time," Cherven said.

Cherven recalls that Kraus was always ready to talk about business or sports.

Kraus became semi-retired in 1997 when he closed his private practice and his store in the Grayling

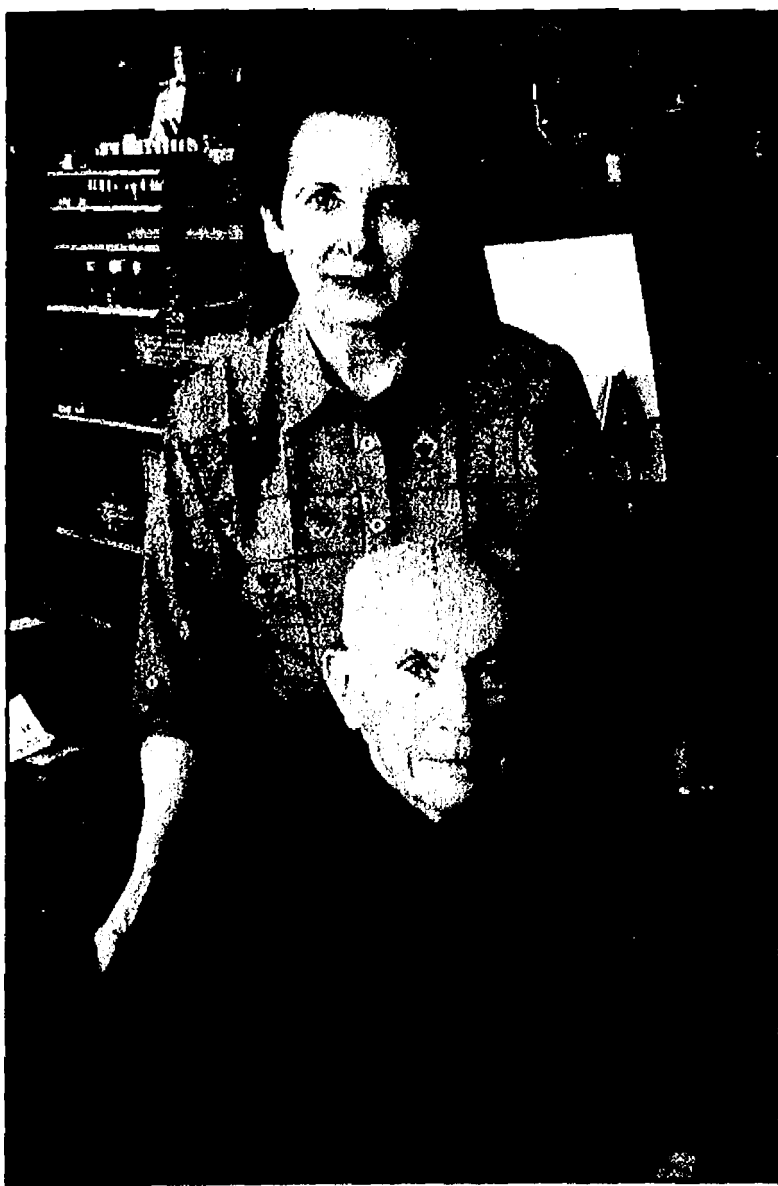
Mini-Mall. The Ben Franklin on Michigan Ave. followed in 2004.

That year, he was given the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year Award.

"I can't imagine anybody that has really made that much of an influence on our community as Emil," said Gannon Broadcasting owner Bill Gannon in 2004.

"It's 70 years of dedication, respect for this community and (respect) for the people that live here. He did everything and he was a major player for many years."

His funeral service took place at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at St. Mary's Catholic Church.



Emil and Laurine Kraus in 2004

## School board seeks applicants

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy on the school board.

Dr. Douglas Slater, who is nearing the end of his four-year term on the school board, is resigning from his seat effective Monday, Dec. 22.

Slater was appointed as the medical director for the AuSable Free Clinic, which provides health care to the needy and uninsured, in September. He replaced Dr. Lisa Harrington, who started as medical director when the clinic was founded in 2005.

Prospective applicants for the school board seat are urged to file letters of interest with the school board secretary, Kim Schmidt.

The deadline for applications is noon on Tuesday, Dec. 23.

The school board will then have 30 days to fill the vacancy.

The person will serve out Slater's unexpired term through June and will have to run in the May annual school election if they wish to remain on the board.

Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Joe Powers

said school officials appreciate Slater's help with dealing with school financing and planning.

"He's brought his talents and experience to the board, which has helped the school district develop its strategic plan and has been a real benefit to the board and our district," Powers said.

Anyone with questions about the school board seat is encouraged to call Powers at 344-3750.

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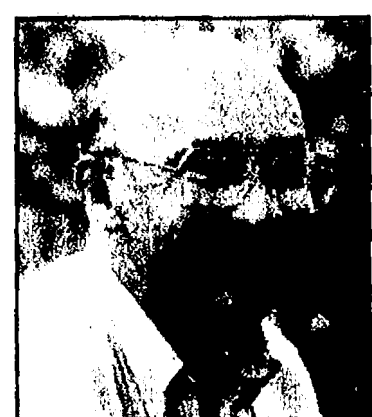
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# Issues and Opinions

## Almanack

by Richard Milliman

### Where does all the money come from?



THE FEDERAL RESERVE Board does a lot of important things with a lot of influence on the economic life of our country.

For example, the Fed tinkers with the interest rate on federal borrowing that guides the prime bank rate that in turn governs the interest rates that consumers pay on mortgages and loans and stuff like that – that is, when borrowing is available to the public.

Lately the Fed has lowered the interest rate repeatedly as an effort to stimulate the flow of money, and in other times it has raised the rate, too. The country's central bank has a lot of power to do a lot of things.

Consider, for example, the billions of dollars the federal government is handing out to help shore up the economy through banks and insurance companies and many other financially threatened institutions –

maybe even the American auto industry sooner or later.

A logical question is where does all this money come from?

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THE SOURCE – One story is we just borrow those billions from some other country such as China. But a recent question-and-answer newspaper article, distributed by Associated Press, pointed to a handier source.

In the article which appeared a couple of weeks ago, Federal Reserve Chair Ben Bernanke was explaining plans to purchase up to \$600 billion in mortgages and other securities owned or guaranteed by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Ginnie Mae, and the Federal Home Loan Banks, and loan another \$200 billion to financial institutions holding collateral such as credit card debt, auto loans and student loans.

Here are some questions

and answers included in that article:

**Question:** How did the Fed suddenly come up with \$800 billion?

**Answer:** The short answer is that the Fed used the power it has to print money.

**Question:** How much extra money has it created during the crisis?

**Answer:** Right before the credit crisis first struck with force in August 2007, the Fed's balance sheet stood at \$850 billion. As of last week (mid November), that figure totaled \$2.2 trillion – nearly a three-fold increase.

**Question:** What is the Fed doing with all of that money?

**Answer:** It is essentially pumping it into the financial system.

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MORE QUESTIONS – It's likely that more sophisticated procedures than this simple interview come into play, but Mr. Bernanke's

answers rouse other logical questions.

If Mr. Bernanke and the Federal Reserve Board – and by extension the president and the members of congress who carry the responsibility for controlling national income and outgo – can simply print more money when they run out, is there any incentive for fiscal restraint? Is there such a thing as financial responsibility?

If the government's printing presses turn out cash whenever spending gets out of hand, doesn't that simultaneously make every dollar that's already out there in public circulation and savings accounts and piggy banks worth less?

If the government simply can print more money when it runs out, then by what right do senators and congressmen apply the screws to the leaders the American auto industry when they ask

for a loan? Why not just print more money and try to save three million American jobs?

And the final question: Are we all living in a dream world anyway?

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ADDENDUM – Last week's Almanack described the disparity between pay levels of university presidents and football coaches, with coaches usually coming out on top by handsome margins.

For example, I reported Ohio State President Gordon Gee as the highest paid public university president in the country at about \$1.4 million a year, which is less than half the \$3 million Buckeye football coach Tom Tressel is paid.

There's another side of that coin, although rare in the Big Ten. Northwestern University President Henry S. Bienen is paid \$1.7 million, while football coach

Pat Fitzgerald draws a measly \$75,000 a year. Of course, Northwestern is a private university – the only one among the 11 schools in the Big Ten conference – and tuition rates at Northwestern are considerably higher than at any other Big Ten school.

Coach Fitzgerald is considered to have done a fine job in a brief tenure with the Wildcats, who had a winning record this year and will play in the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio on Dec. 29.

Again, for the record, Pat Fitzgerald is not the least paid coach in the Big Ten, a distinction that goes to first year coach Bill Lynch at Indiana at \$65,000. Professors are paid more than that at Indiana.

# # #

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

## Letters to the Editor

### Mr. Bird, gas pricing and integrity

To the editor:

I must respond to Mr. Bird's letter defending local gas station owners and their need to make a profit. Although prices have recently come down a lot and complaints have waned, he has chosen to bring back a sore spot with me.

Those tankers delivering gas to their respective stations in Lake City don't charge them 10¢ less per gallon than they charge their family stations in Houghton Lake and they don't charge Grayling gas stations 20¢ more or Gaylord 25¢ more than Lake City. Don't insult me and the buying public.

Lake City sells gasoline and has viable businesses. If they weren't profitable they would raise their prices at the pump. It is that simple. Their paid wages, benefits and overhead are about identical to all stations in northern Michigan. To suggest otherwise is naive.

Not only is it obvious to me that prices are fixed at various localities and profits

guaranteed by steadfastly "sticking together," it boggles my mind how brazen some can be, as illustrated in Gaylord. Not only do the poor souls in Gaylord usually pay 5¢ to 7¢ more than we do in Grayling, but virtually every single station charges exactly the same price for regular gas. Talk about arrogance and collusion. Now, I do believe that any other big name corporation might charge their family of station owners a little more per gallon than their lesser known competitors. Be it supposed image, brand name, professed superior performance or slightly higher octane, it matters not. Every gas station owner does not have exactly the same wages, benefits, overhead expenses, wholesale costs and utility bills. They are not all exactly and equally efficient or turn on and off the lights at the same time. But in Gaylord, they each and all charge their victim's the exact same price at the pump, any pump. Mr. Bird,

spare me the tears at the perceived malignment of our local gas station companies. I believe they saw an opportunity to band together, take advantage of the vulnerable public and basically blame it on OPEC, the Arabs, big oil and whomever or whatever we might buy into. It is a common and deplorably political ploy we see every day. Their thinking is "get them chasing their tails." Blame everyone and everything. They all will eventually tire and throw up their hands in futility and despair. Meanwhile, we profit handsomely, far more than they do in Lake City and Houghton Lake. All those towns and businesses have is reasonable profits and integrity.

Phil Faustman  
Grayling

## Viewpoint

By Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

### Sheriff issues telemarketing warning

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield wants the citizens of Crawford County to know that an aggressive telemarketing campaign is not related to letters he recently mailed, asking area residents to renew their Michigan Sheriff's Association (MSA) memberships.

MSA, founded in 1877, is the oldest law enforcement organization in the state and the only one that officially represents the office of sheriff. Throughout the year, the MSA provides educational training and other programs for Sheriff Wakefield and his personnel. Roughly 20,000 people show their support for the organization, and the Office of Sheriff, as citizen members.

Sheriff Wakefield hopes that the letter he recently sent to thousands of area homes will remind people that their help is still needed.

"When times are rough, we need the help of the public more than ever. Your support helps us to respond more quickly and more effectively in our protection of the public."

The MSA never solicits funds by telephone. "If a telemarketer says they are from the Michigan Sheriff's Association, you should know that he or she is lying," said MSA Executive Director Terrence L. Jungel. "Our decision to avoid telemarketing was deliberate. Unfortunately, the efforts of a few hurt our legitimate attempts to support the sheriff."

If you receive a fraudulent telemarketing call, remember as many details as possible, including the date and time of the call and whom they claim to represent. Organizations with similar sounding names can often times be mistaken for one another. For additional information, or to make a complaint, Sheriff Wakefield recommends contacting the MSA at 1-800-875-5500 or the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 1-877-765-8388.

If you have not received a letter from Sheriff Wakefield but would like to join the association as a citizen or business member, contact the MSA at 1-800-875-5500 or go online to [www.michigan.sheriff.com](http://www.michigan.sheriff.com).

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words. Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published. All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows. Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

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### EARLY HOLIDAY DEADLINES

### CHRISTMAS DEADLINES

The December 25th Avalanche will be on the newsstands on Tuesday, December 23rd. Deadlines for the December 25th edition are:

Display Ads: Thurs. Dec. 18 at 5 pm  
Community News: Fri. Dec. 19 at noon  
Classified Display Ads: Fri. Dec. 19 at noon  
Classified Ads by the word: Mon. Dec. 22 at noon

Our office will close at noon on Wednesday, December 24.

The Avalanche office will reopen on Friday, December 26, at 9 am.

The first day of winter is December 21

On this day, also known as the Winter Solstice, the Sun is farthest South. It is also the shortest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere, being that there are only 9.5 hours of daylight in some places.



# Briefs

## School to have Breakfast with Santa

The Grayling Coop Preschool will be having a Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 20, from 9 a.m. - noon at the Grayling American Legion, 106 S. James St. The price will be \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Pictures with Santa will be taken. For more information, call Angie Barnett at 745-5789 or Liz Dickie at 348-1312.

## Time changed for farm church service

The 1932 historic Christmas church service at Wellington Farm USA on Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. has been changed. Instead, the service will begin at 3 p.m. in the afternoon in the historic Stittsville Church. To attend the service, plan to bring a donation of food which will be collected and given to the Crawford County Christian Help Center. Dress warm and wear boots for walking in the snow. No admission will be charged. Gates at the park will open at 1:30 p.m.

## Hartwick Pines to hold winter lecture

Hartwick Pines will hold "The Legacy of the CCC in Michigan" as part of their winter lecture series on Sunday, Dec. 21, at 2 p.m. in the auditorium of the Visitor Center. For more information, call Rob Burg at 989-348-2537 or e-mail [burg@michigan.gov](mailto:burg@michigan.gov).

## Kalkaska Eagles to hold cookie sale

The Kalkaska Eagles Club on M-72 (old Ernie's Flea Market) will hold a cookie sale on Dec. 20 from noon - 3 p.m. Cookies will be 10¢ each or \$1 a dozen. All proceeds will go to local charities.

## Toys for Tots drive to be held

A Toys for Tots drive will be held at the Old Red Barn on Saturday, Dec. 20, from 3 p.m. - close. There will be several local entertainers and bands. Bring a toy or food donation.

## Angelfood distribution announced

The pick-up date for Angelfood will be Saturday, Dec. 20, from 12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. at the Grayling Free Methodist Church. Lunch will be served. There will be special treats for the children.

## Band to offer musical Christmas cards

The Grayling Viking Band will begin taking orders for their Musical Christmas Cards this week. The band will provide four to eight students to perform a variety of musical Christmas selections that can be sent to an office gathering, senior citizens facility, hospital, friend or neighbor. To order a Christmas card, contact Shirley Currison at 348-1348 or 732-7485.

## Governor allocates funding for No Worker Left Behind initiative

Governor Jennifer M. Granholm and the Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth (DLEG) today awarded \$2,000,000 of state General Fund/General Purpose (GF/GP) funding to the 25 Michigan Works! Agencies (MWAs) to support the governor's No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) initiative.

"This funding will help citizens upgrade their skills for new good-paying jobs that demand more specialized skills and knowledge," Granholm said. "A highly skilled workforce is key to retaining and attracting employers who want to grow their business in Michigan."

"Our aggressive economic strategy is bringing companies and thousands of jobs in industries that are demanding highly skilled, educated workers," said Granholm. "This funding will help keep pace by enrolling thousands more Michigan residents into the training they need to get and succeed in good-paying jobs."

Governor Granholm announced the No Worker Left Behind initiative on August 1, 2007. It was an ambitious plan to train 100,000 Michigan citizens in three years for jobs in

high demand occupations, emerging industries or entrepreneurial endeavors. NWLB gives Michigan residents the opportunity to acquire the skills they need to win good-paying jobs in today's global economy. No Worker Left Behind provides up to two years of free tuition at any Michigan community college, university, or other approved training program for qualifying participants.

Funding for No Worker Left Behind is provided by the State of Michigan (Public Act 251 of 2008) and the U.S. Department of Labor. To view an interactive map of the state's 25 Michigan Works! Agencies and the counties included in each, go to [www.michigan-works.org](http://www.michigan-works.org).

DLEG is investing in Michigan's future by helping to create the jobs of today and tomorrow, ensuring that our children and adults have the skills these jobs demand, making Michigan a better place to do business and training and placing those who need jobs now.

To learn more about the No Worker Left Behind initiative, visit the NWLB web site at [www.michigan.gov/nwlb](http://www.michigan.gov/nwlb).

## Senior care providers join forces

Mercy Manor and Trinity Senior Living Communities, two well known care providers whose focus is the health and well being of a growing senior population, announce the joining of forces.

Mercy Manor, a 40-bed long term care community located adjacent to Mercy Hospital Grayling has been operating for three years under the management and guidance of Novi based Trinity Senior Living Communities (TSLC), a ministry organization of Trinity Health. This union is another step in streamlining the processes of these two companies from an operations perspective.

"Wages and benefits will

remain the same," according to Cindy Cieciwa, Trinity Senior Living Communities vice president of new business operations. "We are now simply the same company, offering improved services with the same mission and values."

The senior population across the US, as well as in Grayling and Crawford County, is growing rapidly and with that will be an increased need for innovative rehabilitation and personalized skilled care.

"This is an opportunity for these two groups to come together, share together and work together," according to Charlotte Smith, director of senior services at Mercy Manor. "Together we can succeed."

## Auditions for "Our Town" to be held at Kirtland

The Kirtland Community Theatre group will hold open auditions from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 29 and 30, and from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 31, at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, for those interested in being cast in the April 2009 production of Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize winning play, "Our Town."

Don Wray, KCPA director, said rehearsals will begin in February and continue through early April. The play will be performed April 16-18 at the center for the performing arts, located on Kirtland Community College's main campus near Roscommon.

"This will be one of the largest productions the Kirtland Community Theatre has performed," said the play's director, Jerry Werle. "The three-act play requires a cast of 25 actors and actresses, ranging in age from 11 to 65, some to play more than one role, and a small choir of at

least six singers."

According to Werle, there are key roles for 11 middle-age men, four young men, five middle-age women, one young woman, three younger boys age 11 to 12 and one younger girl age 11-12.

"We're also going to need several people as extras for a number of the scenes, so we want as many people as possible to join us for the auditions," he added. "It is a beautiful and evocative play, a wonderful theatre experience for the actors and the audience."

The auditions will consist of having candidates read from selected scenes. A list of the play's characters is available at the KCT office at the college's Roscommon campus and online at [www.kirtland.edu/theatre](http://www.kirtland.edu/theatre).

For more information about the play or the auditions, contact Werle by calling 989-275-4031 or the KCT office at 989-275-5000, extension 375.

## Secretary of State offices to close for holiday's

All Secretary of State branch offices, and the Office of the Great Seal, will be closed in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

The closures are Wednesday, Dec. 24, and Thursday, Dec. 25, for Christmas and Wednesday, Dec. 31, and Thursday, Jan. 1, for New Year's.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closed, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Motorists renewing license plates can "skip the trip" to the branch office and do business by mail, or if eligible, by Internet or touch-tone telephone. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days.

With the exception of holidays, branch offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Smaller branch offices may close for the lunch hour. On Wednesday's, most offices

are open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., with those in city centers open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PLUS offices and SUPER!Centers are open from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. SUPER!Centers also provide Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information, visit the department Web site at [www.michigan.gov/sos](http://www.michigan.gov/sos).

## Raffle Winners

### Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Dec. 14 of \$25 each: Steve Brinks, John Blaine and George Klee.

### Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle was Randy Thompson.

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# The Bible Speaks

## Praying For God's Work

God's way of prayer for Christians is through the Holy Spirit within because we don't know what to pray for as we ought, Romans 8:26. The Holy Spirit prays God's will into our lives in Romans 8:27. Therefore, the will of God the Father, prayed by God the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ at His right hand always results in God's glory and our eventual good in Romans 8:28: "28And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

God's work in prayer always brings perfection. We know surely his promises cover the scope of all things and produce a superior result, that which is good. Remember the context is "our sufferings in the present time" in verse 18; "we ourselves groan within ourselves" in verse 23; and "the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities" in verse 26. Many times God's people seem to suffer more than others in the world around them, but like Job who lost everything including his family, wealth, and health, God restored him with a double blessing in the end.

Who then can claim the promise of Romans 8:28? Only the beloved of God who have been called unto salvation to fulfill God's purpose in their lives are included. Read the verse again, "28And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." First, only saved people love God, unsaved people hate Him and rebel against Him. "10Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins." (1 John 4:10). That is the reason we love God as 1 John 4:19 reminds us, "19We love him, because he first loved us." Those who reject God's love gift of His Son as described in John 3:16 cannot logically or scripturally claim to love God.

Second, we not only love Him, but He has called us into His eternal plan. "9Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began," (2 Tim. 1:9). As Paul personally stated in Galatians 1:15: "15But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and

called me by his grace." Remember Paul's opening in Romans 1:7? "7To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ."

Third, we "are the called according to his purpose." Ephesians 1:9-11 gives more insight into God's purpose: "9Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: 10That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: 11In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will." As God taught us to pray in 1 Thessalonians 5:18: "18In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." Pastor "B"

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## Obituaries

### Sherry A. Bryant

Sherry A. Bryant, 61, of Grayling, passed away on December 10, 2008.

She was born in Grayling, on February 28, 1947, to the late James and Berginia (Slagle) Love.

She married Gary Bryant on June 28, 1969, in Brighton.

She is survived by her mother, Berginia Love; husband, Gary Bryant; daughter, Stephanie Bryant of Miss.; son, Matt Bryant of Grayling; grandchildren: Luke Bryant, Brett Bryant, Damon Scharrer, Harlee Bryant, Amy Kreitner, Jeffrey and Jorja Strieff; brothers: Mike, Steve, Jerry, Dennis and Mark Love.

A funeral service was held on December 12, with Don Brigham officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Emil L. Kraus

Emil Lennon Kraus, 91, of Grayling, passed away on Sunday, December 14, 2008.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

A full obituary will appear in the next edition of the Avalanche.

Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who was there for us during the loss of our husband, father, grandfather and brother, Peter Kritzman. He was a special man, not only did he love his family, but he loved his friends at the American Legion too.

Thank you to the Free Methodist Church, Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home and to the American Legion for the beautiful luncheon.

Thank you to everyone for the flowers.

God bless you all,  
Betty Kritzman and family

### Sandra L. Boone

Sandra "Sandy" Lou Boone, 70, of Roscommon, passed away on Saturday, December 13, 2008.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements made by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

### In Memory of

In memory of Martin (MAC) McCluskey, Dec. 19, 2007.

The Lord now has you in the palm of his hand, your pain was just too much that we understand.

Not a day goes by that we don't speak your name, life without you just isn't the same. Not a day goes by that the tears don't flow, we knew in our hearts it was time for you to go.

It doesn't make it easier, somehow we carry on, to live life for you, like you were never really gone.

We talk about the memories, we talk about the past, we talk about a greater love a love that will forever last.

You will live in our hearts that you have touched, for nothing loved is ever lost and you are loved so much.

Through the tears and the laughter, the memories and the pain, we will never ever forget you ... til we meet again.

Your loving wife

Frances

and your loving family

Richard, Rebecca, Sean

Christian, Christine,

Michael, Pamela,

Matthew, Sarah, Melissa,

Skyler, Daniel, BillieJo

and Cody

### In Memory of

In loving memory of Charles (Gus) Williams who passed away Dec. 18, 1994.

A light from our household is gone, a voice from our love is stilled, a place in our vacant home which can never be filled.

Some may think you are forgotten, though on earth you are no more, but in our memory you are with us, as you always were before.

Sadly missed and lovingly remembered,  
wife Sammie, children, grandchildren, family and friends

### In Memory of

In memory of Charles Williams.

Dear dad, while I'm caught up in my busy day or driving in my car, at the slightest notion I look and again there you are, a memory I hold dear to me and a resemblance in my children's faces. I guess I always thought you would be around to see my children grow, to be so proud and to know that we are here because of you. Now we carry on the memory of what a great dad, grandpa and great-grandpa we knew you would always be.

Love, Sharon and Pat

## Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Dec. 19 - Lunch - pork roast with apple glaze, baked potato, mixed vegetables and applesauce. No Dinner. 12 p.m.: Lovells satellite meal, 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Monday, Dec. 22 - Lunch - stuffed cabbage, peas, cauliflower and peaches. Dinner - spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian blend vegetables, corn, a breadstick and pineapple. 1 p.m. Bridge.

Tuesday, Dec. 23 - Lunch - hot roast beef sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots and grapes. Dinner - chicken tenders, oven roasted potatoes, green beans and oranges and grapefruit. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes and Bible Study, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Dec. 24 - Lunch - lemon pepper chicken, egg noodles, corn, broccoli and pineapple. No Dinner. Closed at 1 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 25 - Closed.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

## Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 74 complaints the week of Dec. 8 - Dec. 14.

Seventeen general non-criminal complaints, two false alarm activations, two assault/intimidation/stalkings, four burglaries/home invasions, one larceny from yards, two motor vehicle thefts, one fraudulent activity, one damage to property-private property, two destroy-injure property of police, five public peace/disorderlies, one operating while intoxicated, two health and safeties, one miscellaneous criminal offense, one miscellaneous arrest, 18 traffic accidents, two traffic safety public appearances, one inspection/investigation-motor vehicle, four family troubles-domestic and seven suspicious situations.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to www.crawford.sheriff.org.

## Church Directory

**Christian Science Society**  
209 First St., Suite 103 - Gaylord  
(989) 732-7001

Sunday Service ..... 10:30 am  
April through October  
2nd & 4th Wednesday ..... 7 pm  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 am

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**

Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo  
400 Michigan Ave. - (989) 348-2974  
www.mum-umc.org - Barrier Free

Traditional Service ..... 9 am  
Coffee Hour ..... 10 am  
Sunday School (preschool-3rd grade) ..... 11 am  
Adult Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Praise & Worship Service ..... 11 am  
(Childcare Available)

**Seventh Day Adventist**

Pastor: David Jorgensen  
(989) 348-1909

Services held Saturday at Camp Ausable  
off M-72 East (1st building on right inside  
camp entrance)

Saturday Church Service ..... 9:30 am  
Saturday Sabbath School ..... 10:30 am  
Tuesday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm

**Lovells Community Chapel**

(Bible based and non-denominational)  
Pastor: Larry Hankins

8133 Bald Hill Rd. - Lovells  
(989) 348-2701

Sunday School (youth & adult) ..... 10 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Web Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7-8 pm

**Grayling Free Methodist**

Pastor: Rick Secord

6652 M-72 West - (989) 348-9093

Early Service ..... 8:30 am

Sunday School ..... 10 am

Morning Service ..... 11 am

Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) ..... 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United Church of Christ**

3474 West Park Road, Luzerne

Sunday Worship ..... 11 am

Adult & Youth Sunday School ..... 9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**

Pastor: Ernie Wagner - (989) 348-1411

heritagebaptist-grayling.org

1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.

(1/4 mile west of I-75)

Sunday School ..... 9:45 am

Morning Worship ..... 11 am

Evening Worship ..... 6 pm

Wednesday ..... 7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**

Pastor: John Wojdan

701 S. I-75 Business Loop

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# Cub scouts raise over \$800 for local charities

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Deputy Sheriff's Association," Shambarger said.

Parents were willing to put big money on the baked goods, with one Godzilla themed cake selling for \$115.

"We have a ton of parent involvement," Shambarger said.

Event organizers ensured that kids were able to have fun and make a difference, too. There was a separate kids' only cookie and cupcake auction where the maximum bid was limited to two dollars. All proceeds from the kids' only auction benefitted the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center.

"They just want to be able to help," Shambarger said.

They raised a total of \$156 for the center.

These numbers are particularly impressive considering that, although the event was open to the public, it had very little advertising.

"We just made some fliers and put them around town," Shambarger said.

For a relatively small event, it made a big difference. CCDSA Treasurer Theresa Andrews said that money from the cub scouts event will go a long way toward allowing the association to meet its goal for the Cops for Kids program this year.

"Definitely with these funds that the cub scouts are



This is the cake that took the cake, raising \$115 in a single Godzilla sized bid. Event organizers hope to have even more cakes up for auction next year.

giving us, we should be able to do that," Andrews said.

She added that the donation was an unexpected gift.

"The cub scouts just called one day and told us what their interest was. Our local community and even out-of-towners are coming together to make a better Christmas for these kids," Andrews said.

"It's very heartwarming to know that our community supports the

program the way it does."

This year, 25 kids will be assisted by the program.

"We just try to give back as much as we can for the community," Andrews said.

After the success of this year's auction, Shambarger said he hopes to make an even bigger difference next year.

"We know that we're going to be able to bring in more public," Shambarger

said.

Next year, the event will take place on a weekend and more cakes will be available for hungry bidders.

Meanwhile, Shambarger hopes the event will raise awareness for both Cops for Kids and the cub pack itself.

"We really want the public to know that we're there and we're doing stuff for the boys," Shambarger said.

## Library dreams of a "green" Christmas

Continued from 1A

Gyulveszi, who is himself described "pack rat."

For others who might feel compelled to save things like bubble wrap or old Christmas cards, there are plenty of opportunities to reuse these items during the holidays. This can help to keep the planet green while saving that other green stuff, too.

Bubble wrap and old paper bags can be converted into stylish wrapping paper

with a little bit of time and some artistic flair.

"There's a lot of clever things you can do with maps," Gyulveszi said.

Old Michigan road maps are also surprisingly effective for adding some flair to the usual holiday packaging. And, the aforementioned old Christmas cards can be cut into postcards or even gift tags.

Wright said that there are a lot of opportunities to recycle in Crawford County.

"You can recycle about 80 percent of what you use in the household at our recycling center," Wright said.

In fact, Crawford County has one of the most comprehensive recycling programs in the region.

"We recycle more than any other recycling center our size in the entire state of Michigan," Wright said.

This includes items that some people may not realize can be recycled, such as Styrofoam, grass clippings, batteries and even certain kinds of personal medical waste.

While certain common items, such as bottle caps, coffee can lids and plastic bags, are still not accepted at the center, every conservation effort helps.

For example, Wright said that recycling a year's worth of newspapers saves about 17 trees and as much as 463 gallons of oil.

Best of all, use of the recycling center is completely free of charge to Crawford County residents. For more information, the center can be contacted at 989-348-3195.



Township Supervisor Terry Wright (far right) speaks about the recycling options that are available in Crawford County. According to Wright, a very large percentage of household waste can actually be recycled.

## Stolen van, wheelchair recovered after putting family through agony

Continued from 1A

"I was glad to have the van back and have it intact," she said. "It's just mind boggling for someone to put a family through that."

Veres said she is beyond ecstatic to have the van back and its safe return is an early Christmas gift for the family.

"It would have been

depressing trying to get through the holidays without the van and the wheelchair," she said.

Veres said she believes the people who took the van may have been joyriders or drunkards trying to get across town in the chilly weather.

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the van is encouraged to call the Crawford County Sheriff's Office's tip line at 348-4616, ext. 228, or e-mail tips@crawfordsheriff.org.

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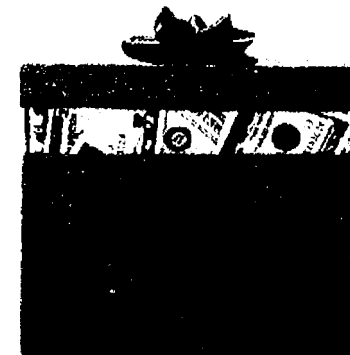
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## GHS players present "Footloose"

 by Matt Seager  
 Staff Writer

The fine arts were alive and well at Grayling High School (GHS) last weekend, when many Crawford County residents found themselves turning off their TVs and soaking in some musical theater instead.

The GHS Players presented the musical "Footloose" during a three night presentation on Dec. 11-13, under the leadership of first-time director Mark Binert.

This year, Binert took over directing duties for his wife, Andrea. He said that he chose "Footloose" because he was interested in directing relatively recent material.

"It's one we've kind of been looking at doing for a while," Binert said.

The musical tells the story of a newcomer named Ren McCormick (Damon Hunter) who moves to the small town of Bomont only to find that all dancing within the area has been banned by the misguided Reverend Shaw Moore (Aaron Nemeth).

Ren teams up with the comical redneck Willard Hewitt (Joe Emmons) and the reverend's daughter, Ariel (Brianna Farrell), to convince Bomont's leaders that dancing is a positive outlet for kids.

While the production offered a lot of fun and elicited plenty of laughs, the GHS players did not shy away from hard hitting issues such as teen drug abuse, censorship and domestic violence.

Binert said he had "no worries" about presenting a play that included some mature themes.

"It's a modern musical. A



From left to right: Bomont High residents, played by Jamie Shirkey and Allyssa Wilson, are joined in song by Ren McCormick (Damon Hunter), Ethel McCormick (Hannah Smith), a Bomont resident played by Makenna Harwood and Willard Hewitt (Joe Emmons). By the end of the story, Ren and his friends convince the town that dancing isn't such a bad thing.



Ren McCormick (Damon Hunter, left) and Ariel Moore (Brianna Farrell, right) both dream of a better future for the town of Bomont.

lot of people are familiar with the movie," Binert said.

Cast members agreed that there was an important message at the heart of the production.

"Self expression is awesome ... it should not be dismissed," male lead Damon Hunter said.

Hunter, who is presently a senior at GHS, says he plans to continue acting in college. His favorite song in the musical was "Almost Paradise."

"We all had such a good

time and we're all really close," female lead Brianna Farrell said.

Farrell, who is also a senior, plans to minor in the performing arts at Central Michigan University. She said that the play encourages audiences to dream big.

"Don't let anything hold you back," Farrell said.

Other cast members simply relished the opportunity to get into their characters. Aaron Nemeth played a preacher who was often at

odds with his family and neighbors.

"Being mean to people is fun on stage," Nemeth said.

The production garnered a fairly sizeable turnout from the community.

"I figured it's good to support those who are continuing on the tradition," GHS alum Ben Lucey said.

Binert said that he was very proud to work with the GHS players on his first outing as play director.

"It's fun ... I love it," Binert said.

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## Grayling bands playing shows, winning honors

The Grayling Viking Bands, which include students from both Grayling High School (GHS) and Grayling Middle School (GMS), have been busy with a variety of special projects this holiday season, keeping music alive within the student body and in the community at large.

The Grayling Viking Bands performed at the annual Christmas Concert on Dec. 4 at Grayling High School.

Their special guest this year was a surprise visit from "Santa Claus."

This year, each senior conducted the band during the sing-a-long portion of the concert, with singing led by Santa Claus.

The bands performed many Christmas classics. The sixth grade band participated for the first time in eight years. They were joined in the performance by the seventh and eighth

grade bands as well as the high school band.

Meanwhile, the Tri-M National Music Honor Society inducted new members into the Grayling High School Chapter, National Chapter 4240.

Students were inducted from the band for the fourth year in Grayling. This year, the group has expanded to include the high school vocal music students as well.

Students complete service projects throughout the year to help others with music projects or community projects.

Tri-M is a very large organization throughout the nation, although it is still a growing program in Michigan. Grayling has the only chapter at the current time. Several of our students are planning on traveling to Tecumseh High School to help with their initial induction ceremony.

Grayling Viking Band Director Matt Bishop has been their chairman since the first induction ceremony.

The High School Honors Band weekend took place on Dec. 6-7 at Gaylord High School. It included a performance at the Gaylord High School Auditorium the following day. The conductor of the group was Steve Burns, a retired band director from Lapeer West High School.

Several students represented Grayling High School in the annual District High School Honors Band.

One Grayling student has managed to earn an even higher honor. Leigha Stevens, a baritone player with the Grayling High School Band, auditioned for the All-State Honors Band in November and is now the second person from Grayling to achieve this status in the four years



**Santa Claus conducts Grayling band students during the annual Christmas Concert at Grayling High School. In addition to the Christmas show, local students have been invited to perform in several honors concerts.**

of the All-State Band program.

The All-State Bands & Orchestras will rehearse and perform during the 4th Annual Michigan Music Conference (MMC), which is held in Grand Rapids on Jan. 22-24.

The All-State Band per-

formance will be at 12:10 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24, in the DeVos Performance Hall in Grand Rapids.

The guest conductor for the All-State Band will be Jerry Junkin, conductor of the Dallas Wind Symphony at the University of Texas, Austin.



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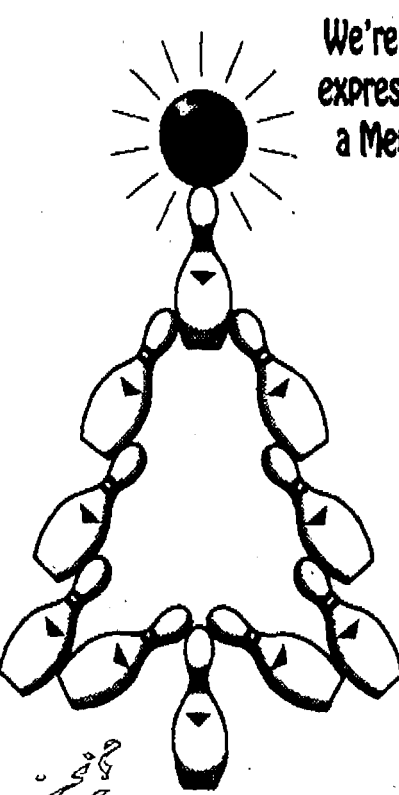
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## Clowning around at Christmas time



A clown, played by Tom Cojocar (left), makes a balloon for Josie Calvin and her father, Jim Calvin, at the American Legion Children's Christmas Party last Saturday. The third annual event featured a wide variety of activities for kids as well as an appearance from Santa Claus.

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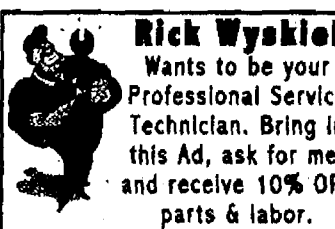


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## Winter weather hits Crawford County hard

Continued from 1A

Boguth estimated that throughout Crawford County, the snow depth ranges from 15 to 20 inches.

Last weekend, the weather warmed up just long enough for the snow to be replaced by freezing rain, creating a very hazardous situation for drivers. Crawford County Road Commission Managing Director Donald Babcock said that local officials have already had a busy season.

"It's certainly using up more of our budget than we anticipated," Babcock said. "We could use more equipment and more personnel."

He said that the constant snow is making the road

commission's job particularly tough.

"We like to have a break in between storms and we just haven't been getting much of a break lately," Babcock said.

The unusually heavy snowfall has created tough travelling conditions on more places than just the roads. Boguth warned that wandering onto frozen lakes might not be the best idea just yet.

"Within that deep snow coverage, it just takes longer and longer for that ice to be made," Boguth said.

Although it may be cold outside, the heavy snow can actually serve to heat things up out on the ice.

"That snow actually is a really good insulator,"

Boguth said.

He recommended that snowmobilers and ice fishermen travel on lakes with great caution for the next few weeks while the ice continues to solidify.

Homeowners are advised to exhibit caution, too. Crawford County building official Joseph Duran warns that heavy snowfall could attack the integrity of a home's roof if it is not removed properly.

"I'm worried about potential failures right now," Duran said.

Based on recent building codes, a load of 24 or more inches of wet snow on a horizontal roof could quickly become a serious problem. The danger to a structure's roof is ultimately based on

the weight of the snow, not the depth, so heavy, "packy" snow can be deceptively threatening.

Roof overhangs, multi-level roofs and roof valleys are particularly vulnerable to snow damage. Duran recommends that all homeowners take the time to clean off their roofs throughout the winter.

"You've got to do it, because I'm concerned about the load," Duran said.

All in all, the tough winter weather means that both local officials and county residents have a lot of work ahead of them, even for those who enjoy the winter season.

"It's not fun to deal with, that's for sure," Babcock said.

## Library News

Put on your pj's and enjoy "The Night Before Christmas" at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, Dec. 18, at 6:30 p.m. There will be stories, songs and

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The Frederic Community Library will host a "Fun in Frederic" holiday program on Saturday, December 20, at 11 a.m. Call Connie Meyer, at 348-4067, to sign

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## Terry, Ginther engaged



Shannon Terry and Matthew Ginther

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Terry, of Grayling, announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Renaie Terry, to Matthew James Ginther, son of Mark and Julie Ginther of Grayling.

Shannon is the grand-

daughter of Pete and Dolores Mead and the late Glen and Evelyn Terry.

Matthew is the grandson of Jim and Rita McClain of Grayling.

An August 2009 wedding is planned.

## Military News

Air Force Staff Sgt. Andrew J. Palmer has been deployed to Afghanistan to serve as a member of the Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT). The PRT is a joint U.S. Air Force and Army team assigned to the country's security and reconstruction efforts in specified Afghan provinces.

Members of the PRT are part of NATO's International Security Assistance Force, civil-military operations designed to extend the reach and legitimacy of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The team's mission is to promote good governance and justice to stabilize the country, enable an active and effective Afghan security force and facilitate

reconstruction, development and economic growth. The PRT also provides humanitarian assistance to villagers in efforts to foster future relations with community leaders.

Palmer is a telephone maintenance technician regularly assigned to the 37th Communication Squadron at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. The staff sergeant has served in the military for five years.

He is the son of Roger L. Palmer of Grayling and Doris J. Houghton of Alma.

His wife Candie is the daughter of Bobby and Gale B. Cox of Albany, Ga.

Palmer is a 2002 graduate of Grayling High School.

## Births

Pamela M. and Dwight D. Sippola, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Brooke Lynn, born at Mercy Hospital on December 1, 2008, at 2:45

p.m., weighing 7 lbs., 12 ozs., and measuring 21 inches in length.

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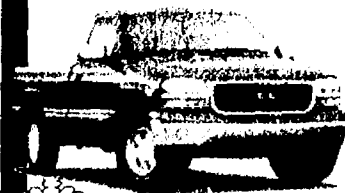
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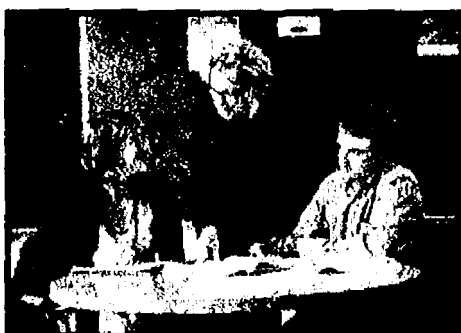


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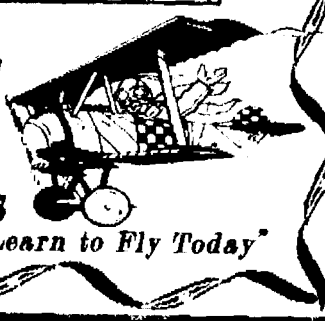
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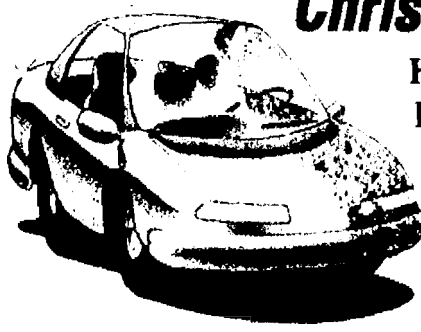
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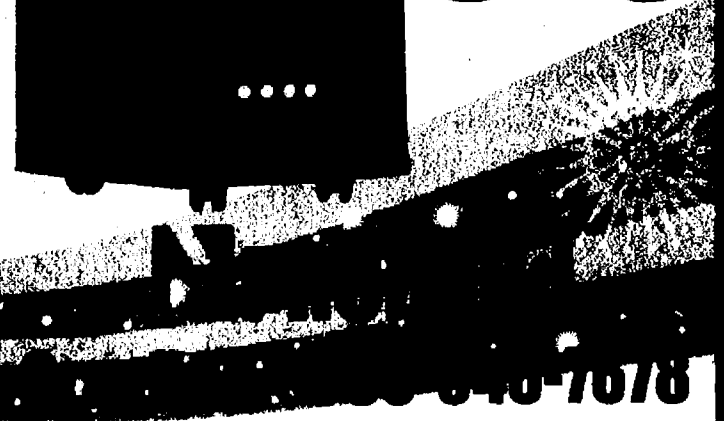
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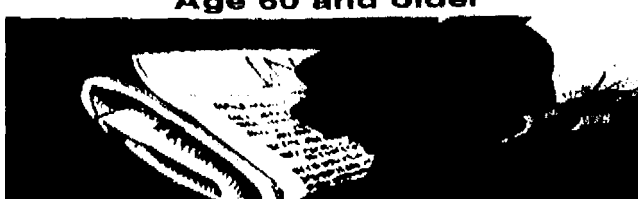
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Dan Duvall (130), left, wrestles against Kalkaska on Thursday. Zach Wolcott (152), right, pins his Traverse City St. Francis opponent during last week's league meet at GHS.

## Vikings defeat TCSF, Kalkaska in conference wrestling opener

Grayling finishes  
2nd in 10-team  
Manton tournament

Grayling High School's varsity wrestling squad defeated Traverse City St. Francis and Kalkaska in a three-team conference meet – Grayling's first league meet of the 2008-2009 season – held at GHS last Thursday.

In the first match of the night, the Kalkaska Blazers outscored the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators 36-24.

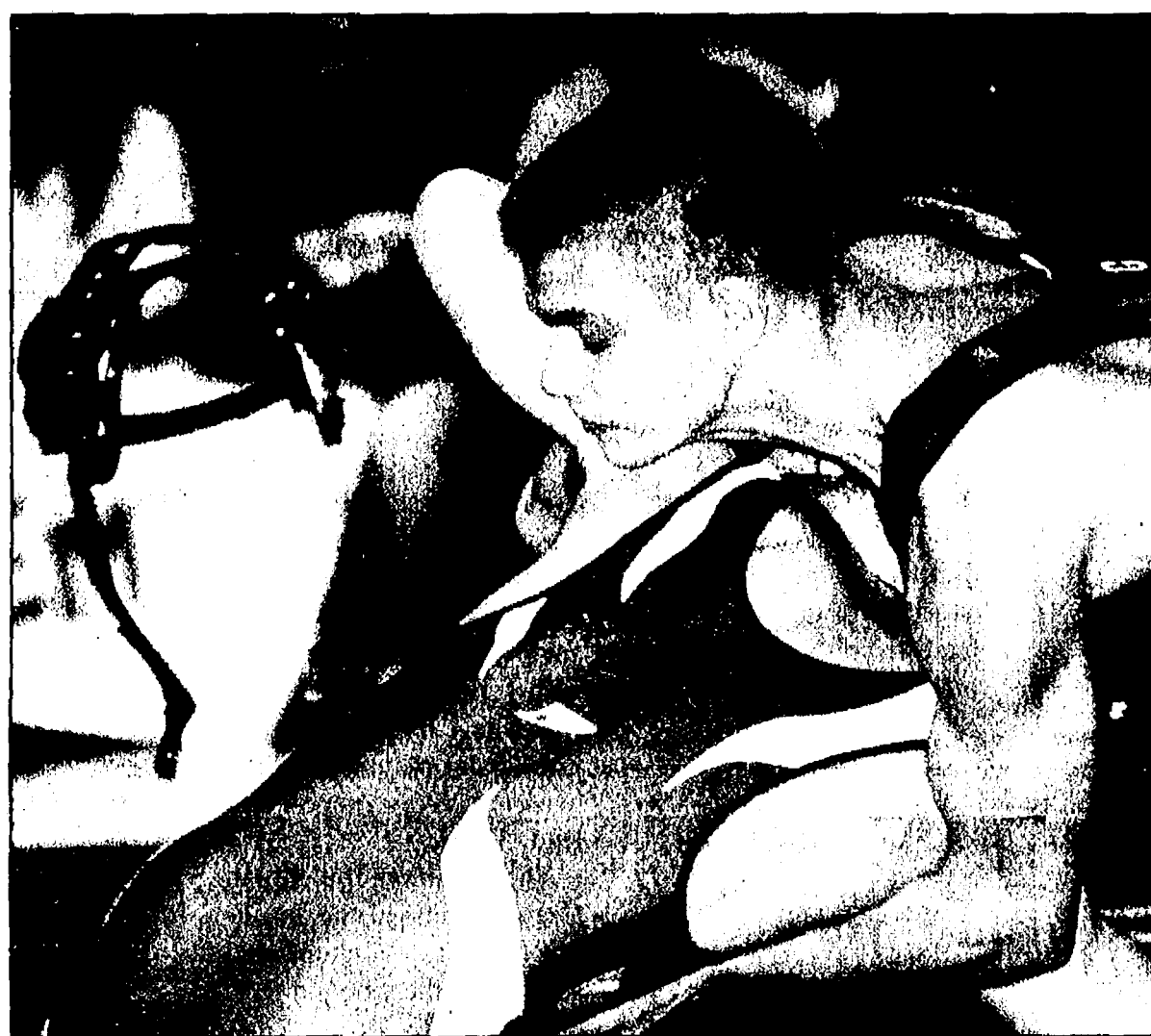
The Vikings wrestled against Traverse City St. Francis in the second match of the meet.

Seven Vikings – Shane Grove (171), Matt Townsend (215), Kyle Peters (heavy-weight), Jerry Bergey (103), Dan Duvall (130), Will Fowler (135), and Josh Moggo – won by default.

Joe White (119) pinned his opponent in the first round. Cody Collen (145) also scored a first round pin. Zach Wolcott (152) and Tyler Sharp (160) pinned their Traverse City St. Francis opponents in the first round.

Grayling won 66-15.

See **WRESTLING** | 8B



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Josh Moggo (140) loses his headgear while battling a Kalkaska opponent on Thursday. Moggo won the match by decision, 15-0.

## Put-back at 0:04 mark wins it for Grayling

Girls basketball team wins league opener 48-47

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

In a varsity girls basketball game that featured a wild finish, the Grayling Vikings defeated the visiting Boyne City Ramblers 48-47 with a basket – a put-back by forward Abbey Thomas – in the final seconds of Friday night's league contest.

Boyne City led 13-10 at the end of the first quarter. The Ramblers had a 20-18 advantage at halftime.

Grayling scored the first basket of the second half – an inside shot by Sam Schreiber – to tie the score at 20-20. Boyne City answered with an inside shot. A basket by Laura Boylan tied the score at 22-22. The Ramblers hit a jump shot to lead by two. A drive by Schreiber at the third quarter's 4:52 mark tied the game (24-24).

See **PUT-BACK** | 3B



Laura Boylan takes an inside shot for Grayling on Friday night.

## JV boys basketball team holds on for 56-55 win vs. Suttons Bay Vikings outscore Norsemen 21-15 in fourth period

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball team held on for a 56-55 victory vs. the Suttons Bay Norsemen in Grayling's season opener – a contest that was played on Saturday afternoon at

Grayling High School.

The Vikings got off to a strong start and led 9-0 early in the contest. Grayling had a 15-11 advantage at the end of the first period. The score was tied (25-25) at halftime. Suttons Bay took a 40-35 lead into the fourth quarter.

Suttons Bay scored the

first two baskets of the fourth period to lead 44-35. An inside shot by Ethan Lewis and one free throw by Robbie Wilson cut the Suttons Bay lead to six. The Vikings hit a three-pointer at the 4:37 mark to pull within three. A jump shot by Lewis and an inside shot by

Griffin Dean tied the game at 45-45 with 3:42 left in regulation. Two free throws by Zane Tobin gave GHS a two-point advantage. One free throw by Lewis extended Grayling's lead to three with 2:21 remaining.

Two free throws by

See **JV BOYS** | 4B



Photos by Caleb Casey

Jake Helsel, left, and Robbie Wilson, right, shoot for Grayling's JV boys basketball squad during Saturday's game against the Suttons Bay Norsemen.



Photo by Caleb Casey

Colin Hamlin handles the ball for Grayling during Saturday's game vs. Suttons Bay.

## Varsity squad opens season with 65-57 loss vs. Norsemen

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

In a contest played at Grayling High School on Saturday afternoon, the GHS varsity boys basketball squad opened its 2008-2009 season with a 65-57 nonconference loss vs. the Suttons Bay Norsemen.

Suttons Bay led 14-11 after one quarter of play. The Norsemen had a 10-point lead (31-21) at halftime. Grayling trailed by six (48-42) going into the fourth period.

The Norsemen scored a three-pointer early in the fourth quarter to extend

their lead to nine. An inside shot by Trent Larm and a three-pointer by Colin Hamlin cut Suttons Bay's lead to four. Two free throws put the Suttons Bay lead back to six. A jump shot by Eric Ferrigan pulled Grayling back within four.

Four free throws gave Suttons Bay a 57-49 lead with 5:23 left in regulation. A jump shot by Larm cut the Suttons Bay lead back to six. The Norsemen hit a three-pointer at the 4:58 mark to lead by nine, 60-51.

Grayling pulled within five with a lay-up by Steven Enos and a drive by Larm.

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Jamie Denton, left, and Ann Hamlin, right, shoot the ball for Grayling's JV girls basketball team during Friday's game against the Boyne City Ramblers.

## JV girls unable to hold late lead in 3-point loss to Boyne City

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's junior varsity girls basketball team led for most of last Friday's home game vs. the Boyne City Ramblers, but Boyne City outscored Grayling 13-5 in the fourth quarter to win by three, 39-36.

The Vikings had a 13-8 advantage at the end of the first quarter. Grayling led by six, 27-21, at halftime.

Boyne City scored the first five points of the third quarter to cut Grayling's lead to one, 27-26. Two jump shots by Shalee Miller

in the final 2:12 of the third period gave the Vikings a five-point advantage. Grayling led 31-26 going into the fourth quarter.

GHS opened the fourth period with a jump shot by Miller. A put-back by Boyne City cut Grayling's lead back to five. Two free throws by Kirstie Wakeley increased Grayling's lead to seven with 6:06 left in regulation.

With six unanswered points in the next four minutes of clock time, Boyne City pulled within one.

A free throw by Miller gave GHS a two-point edge with 1:18 remaining.

Boyne City completed a three-point play at the 0:57 mark to take a one-point lead, 37-36.

The Ramblers fouled, but Grayling missed the resulting free throw attempt, and a tie-up on the rebound gave possession to Boyne City. The Vikings forced a turnover and took over with 33 seconds remaining. Boyne City stole the ball and hit a jump shot with 10 seconds left in the fourth quarter. Grayling turned the ball over with a travelling violation, and the game ended with Boyne City leading by three, 39-36.

Leading scorers for GHS included: Wakeley, 12 points, 5 rebounds, 1 steal; Miller, 13 points, 3 rebounds, 6 steals, 5 assists; Jamie Denton, 4 points, 1 rebound. Jennifer Lester, Ann Hamlin, Ashley Jensen, and Kristen Todoroff also scored points for GHS.

Hamlin finished with a team-high eight rebounds. Hali Miller had seven rebounds for the Vikings. Rebecca Money had four rebounds, three steals, and two assists. Carlie Money had three rebounds, two steals, and one assist.

"The girls played a great game until the last 2:40,



Kristen Todoroff takes an inside shot for the Vikings on Friday night.

when we made some mistakes that we had not all game long. We lost the game, we were not beat," Coach Craig Hofman said. "The first half was very well played. We scored 27 points and had a six-point lead at half. We got into some foul trouble, but all the girls came off the bench and continued to contribute and play their best throughout the game. The fouls did not hurt us too bad because Boyne only went 13 for 35 from the line. We were not much better - 10 for 19 - and we missed some important free throws in the fourth quarter."

"The girls did exactly what I told them to try and do and that is win each individual quarter. We won the first two and only lost the third by one point. Boyne was able to score eight points in the last 2:40 to beat us. That is a lesson that I hope we have learned. You have to play all 24 minutes

to the best of your ability to win," Coach Hofman said.

"The girls did an outstanding job of playing a 2-3 zone when we really only use it in practice in case we have to go against it. I saw a lot of positive things on offense, but we missed several easy shots that would have given us an even bigger lead throughout the game," Coach Hofman said. "We continue to improve our rebounding. One or two plays at anytime during the game would have changed the outcome. Due to the foul trouble, a lot of girls played and got valuable experience in a close game, which will only help us in the future."

"It is shame we are 0-3, because we easily could be 3-0. We will keep working hard and try to come out with a couple of wins next week," Coach Hofman said.

The Vikings (0-3 overall) will play at Harrison on Wednesday, Jan. 7.

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The few remaining dog-eared copies became a prized fisherman's possession. Professor Higbee was offered \$400 for one of his last maps. And state agencies were forced to keep their copies under lock and key.

The experts had always told Professor Higbee that reprints were impossible, because the maps were printed in non-photographic blue. Then, in 1991, at the age of 91, Howard Higbee's dream came true. Computers made it possible to reprint the map. Holding an updated map, Howard said, "I never thought I'd live to see this day."

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## Honors (Sports)



Nathan Peters

Nathan "Moses" Peters, of Grayling, recently received an All-American award from the National Intercollegiate Running Club Association for finishing in the top 15 at the NIRCA Nationals.

Peters, part of the University of Michigan Running Club, competed in the third annual NIRCA Nationals -- along with more than 40 other runners from U of M -- on Saturday,

Nov. 8. The race was held in State College, Penn. U of M's women's team placed first and the men's team finished third.

Peters received an All-American award for placing ninth in the men's race at the NIRCA Nationals.

Peters also placed first in the 2008 Mountain Desert Island Marathon -- a race held in Maine on Sunday, Oct. 19.

## Pool League

Women's Standings	Ramada II	.66	Ramada I	.33
Frederic Inn	Gray Rock	.64		



# Put-back at 0:04 mark wins it for Grayling

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Boyer City scored six unanswered points in the next one minute of clock time to take a 30-24 lead.

The Vikings responded with a 10-0 run. The series included (in order) a jump shot by Thomas, a drive by Teresa Schreiber, a free throw by T. Schreiber, a jump shot by Mackenzie Harwood, and a three-pointer by T. Schreiber.

With 12 seconds left in the third period, Boyer City converted two free throws to break its scoreless streak.

Grayling led 34-32 going into the fourth quarter.

The Vikings scored the first six points of the fourth period with three inside shots by Boylan. Grayling led 40-32 with 5:40 left in regulation.

Two free throws by Boyer City cut Grayling's lead to six.

A lay-up by Harwood put Grayling's advantage back to eight.

Boyer City went on an 11-0 run—a series that included two three-pointers, an inside shot, and three free throws—to take a 45-42 lead with 42 seconds left in the contest.

A jump shot by Thomas at the 0:29 mark cut Boyer City's lead to one, 45-44. Two free throws by the Ramblers extended their lead back to three. Thomas scored an inside shot for GHS at the 0:20 mark to pull Grayling back within one.

Boyer City turned the ball over on an in-bounds play. Grayling turned the ball over, and Boyer City had possession with 15 seconds left. The Ramblers committed another turnover on an in-bounds play, giving GHS the ball.

Grayling worked the ball

inside, missed two shot attempts, and finally scored on a put-back by Thomas with four seconds left in regulation. The basket gave Grayling a 48-47 lead.

Boyer City missed a shot from half court at the buzzer, and Grayling won by one point, 48-47.

"We beat a quality conference team. It is good for the girls to see what they are capable of," Coach Kelly Sheehan said.

Leading scorers for the Vikings were: Boylan, 22 points, 15 rebounds, 9 blocks; Thomas, 10 points, 11 rebounds; T. Schreiber, 6 points, 2 steals; Harwood, 6 points, 5 rebounds; S. Schreiber, 4 points, 8 assists; Ashley Feldhauser, 4 assists, 5 rebounds.

The Vikings (1-2 overall, 1-0 conference) will play at Charlevoix on Friday, Dec. 19.



Ashley Feldhauser, left, shoots for the Vikings on Friday night vs. Boyer City. Mackenzie Harwood, right, controls the ball for Grayling on Friday.

## GMS Basketball

**8th grade "white" (boys)** — Grayling Middle School's 8th grade "white" boys basketball team won 33-15 at Charlevoix on Monday night.

"All the boys came out shooting and playing good defense. We had eight out of 10 boys score," Coach Jeff McMann said.

Leading scorers for the Vikings included: Blake Hatfield (12), Louis Menard (6), Jacob Robinson (4), David Somero (3), Alex Bartha (2), Dakota Myers (2), Trent Flynn (2), Arron Kissel (2).

The team won 35-11 at Kalkaska on Thursday.

"The boys came out running from the get go and never let up," Coach McMann said. "The defense was the best it's been all

year — we worked on a lot of that in practice. We had a handful of fast breaks and were good passing the ball around for open shots. All the boys played a good game."

Leading scorers for GMS were: Menard (8), Robinson (8), Myers (6), Flynn (4), Nolen Ryan (3), Hatfield (2), Jeff Lavigne (2), Bartha (2).

**7th grade "green" (boys)** — The GMS 7th grade "green" boys basketball squad improved its season record to 8-1 with three wins on the road last week.

On Monday, Dec. 8, the team won 38-24 at Charlevoix.

"Charlevoix played tough defense and caused many turnovers, but — thanks to Jake Swander's strong start in the game

— Grayling jumped to an early lead and played some tough defense of their own," Coach Doug Pummell said.

Swander scored the first eight points for Grayling, had 10 in the first quarter, and finished with 15 points. Scott Wakely had five points, Michael Branch had four, Matt Burrell had four, and Peyton Zigila had four. Mitchell Thompson had three points.

Grayling held Charlevoix to nine points in the second half, including only three in the fourth quarter.

Top defenders for Grayling were Burrell, Tyler McClanahan, and Zigila, Coach Pummell said.

Grayling won 35-8 vs. Elk Rapids on Wednesday.

"(The Vikings) played one of their best games of the year. The whole team came out and executed the rotation on their defense and came up with steals that led to easy baskets. Despite foul trouble, they held Elk Rapids to three first half points and led 23-3 at halftime," Coach Pummell said. "They also outrebounded a much taller Elk Rapids team, with Richie Sanford playing his best game of the year and having an outstanding night boxing out along with Michael Branch, Tyler McClanahan, and Peyton Zigila."

Top scorers for GMS were: Burrell (9), Wakely (5), Thompson (5), Zigila (5) Swander (4), Justice Junttila (4).

In a game that was tied (16-16)

at halftime, Grayling won 40-29 at Kalkaska on Thursday.

"During the second half, the team picked up its game and outscored Kalkaska 24-13," Coach Pummell said. "Top defenders were Brandon Latusek, Swander, and Zigila."

Leading scorers were: Swander (11) McClanahan (11), Burrell (9), including 7 of 8 at the free-throw line), Junttila (7), Zigila (3).

"This group can really make adjustments well during a game and I believe part of that is a reflection of their academic success. I am proud to say that most of them were on the honor roll for the first trimester," Coach Pummell said.

## Legal Action

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### Decedent's Estate

File No. 08-7518-DE  
Estate of Leo Francis Campeau,  
Date of birth: 2/11/1905

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**  
The decedent, Leo Francis Campeau, who lived at 206 Brink Street, Grayling, MI 49738, died 1/2/1995.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Thomas F. Campeau, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

12/8/2008

Personal representative  
Thomas F. Campeau  
11544 W. Co. Rd. 612  
Frederic, MI 49733  
989-348-8118

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT - FAMILY DIVISION PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING

File No. 08-7513-NC

In the matter of TERRY LEE KING

**TAKE NOTICE:** A hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2009, at 11:30 a.m. at Crawford County Probate Court, before Judge Monte J. Burmeister P48732 for the following purpose:  
Petition to Change Name

12/11/08  
Terry Lee King  
2015 Mill Pond Court  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989-344-4164

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### Decedent's Estate

File No. 08-7519-DE  
Estate of Richard Lee Williams, Date of birth: 12-28-50

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Richard L. Williams, who lived at 1404 Kelmway, Grayling, Michigan, died 11-21-08.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Lori Ann Williams, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 725 W. Lincoln, Ionia, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

12-9-08

Personal representative  
Lori Ann Williams  
725 W. Lincoln  
Ionia, MI  
48846  
616-755-3301

### SYNOPSIS SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP DECEMBER 9, 2008 REGULAR BOARD MEETING UNAPPROVED

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Attending: Luck, Kozlowski, George, Janisse and Musselman.  
Absent: None.  
Pledge of Allegiance. No public comment.

**Motion** by Luck, and seconded by Musselman, to accept agenda as presented with additions. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Luck, and seconded by George, to accept consent agenda, November Regular Meeting Minutes, bills and invoices paid, projected bills for December, and the Treasurer's Report, and approved Fire/EMT Report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Musselman, and seconded by Janisse, to accept the September ZBA Meeting Minutes. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Janisse, and seconded by Musselman, to accept the Zoning Administrator's Report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Kozlowski, and seconded by George, to accept for payment the invoice from the attorney in the amount of \$1,928.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Kozlowski, and seconded by Luck, to send letter to Crawford County Commissioners expressing our opposition to the proposed Special Events Ordinance. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Luck, and seconded by Musselman, to accept for payment the invoice from GEO Landscaping in the amount of \$1,640.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Janisse, and seconded by Kozlowski, to accept for payment the invoice from Martel, in the amount of \$315.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Luck, and seconded by George, to accept the proposed changes to the Public Officials Bond Plan by Michigan Underwriters of Michigan, Inc. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Janisse, and seconded by Luck, to support S.T.I.N.G. at a cost of \$2,026.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Luck, and seconded by George, to re-appoint the current members of the Board of Review for another term. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Musselman, and seconded by Janisse, to support pursuing payment of outstanding ambulance bill. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

**Motion** by Kozlowski, and seconded by Musselman, to support the requests of Kirtland and COOR for collection of Summer 2009 taxes by Treasurer. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Public comment heard. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

### FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

**MORTGAGE SALE** — Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Chad Hawley and Amy Hawley, Husband and Wife to Olympus Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 29, 2004 and recorded December 9, 2004 in Liber 672 Page 826 Crawford County Records. Michigan Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to: Wells Fargo Bank, NA as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005 WHQ1, by assignment dated December 6, 2004 and recorded March 12, 2008 in Liber 690,

Page 579, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Thirteen Cents (\$72,828.13) including interest 9.275% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on January 7, 2009

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 11, Block 1, Brink's Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 33, Crawford County Records

Commonly known as 210 Rolla, Grayling MI 49738  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: NOVEMBER 25, 2008  
Wells Fargo Bank, NA as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005 WHQ1,

Assignee of Mortgage  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd, Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 08-02137

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Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty and 25/100 Dollars (\$109,280.25) including interest at 9.375% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 21, 2009. Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9, Whippoorwill, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 51 and 52, of Plats, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: December 18, 2008 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 231.6740 ASAP# 2945258 12/18/2008, 12/25/2008, 01/01/2009, 01/08/2009

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amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** — Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darrin E. Hawes and Racquel V. Hawes fka Racquel V. Schaub, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to First Federal of Michigan, The Michigan operating name of Charter One Bank, F.S.B., Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2001, and recorded on September 5, 2001 in Liber 0551 on Page 534, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty And 02/100 Dollars (\$52,360.02), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 7, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 2, Ausable Trails Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 27, 2008  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Frederic Township Property Owners

Frederic Township Board of Review will meet on Dec. 9th, 2008 at 4:00 PM in the Township Hall, 7564 Co. Rd. 612 - Frederic, MI 49733.

The purpose of this meeting is to correct any errors or mutual mistakes of fact on assessments.

William Johnson  
Township Supervisor





Photo by Caleb Casey

Steven Enos drives to the basket for Grayling during Saturday's varsity game.

## Varsity squad opens season with 65-57 loss vs. Norsemen

Continued from 1B

Suttons Bay outscored Grayling 5-2 down the stretch to win by eight, 65-57.

Grayling's leading scorers were: Larm (19), Ferrigan (11), Hamlin (11), Enos (6), Tyler Steffey (5), Spencer Dean (3), Alex Gabriel (2).

Dean had nine rebounds and Larm had four rebounds in the contest. Hamlin had six assists. Gabriel had five steals and Ferrigan had four steals for the Vikings.

As a team, Grayling shot 48 percent from two-point range, 33 percent from three-point range, and 67 percent from the free-throw line in the game.

"Suttons Bay is an outstanding team that should win 17-20 games this year. Duwuan Anderson, 6'4" sophomore guard, is on the radar of a lot of division one teams, and we found out

why tonight," Coach Rich Moffit said.

"I thought we played very well in spurts tonight. Suttons Bay knocked down 52 percent of their three-point shots against us and that was a huge difference in the game. Offensively, we need to be more patient and get the ball inside. That is the strength of our team," Coach Moffit said.

"Jake Aubry and Ryan Foguth did a nice job of coming off the bench and providing a defensive spark for our team. Eric Ferrigan played solid at both ends of the court. Colin Hamlin and Trent Larm did some nice things offensively for us," Coach Moffit said.

Last Tuesday's scheduled game vs. Roscommon was postponed due to weather, and will be made up on Feb. 9.

Grayling (0-1 overall) will play at Charlevoix on Friday, Dec. 19.

## JV boys basketball squad holds on for 56-55 win vs. Suttons Bay

Continued from 1B

Suttons Bay cut Grayling's lead to one. Dean hit two free throws to put Grayling's edge back to three points. An inside shot by Dean at the 1:13 mark gave Grayling a 52-47 lead.

Suttons Bay converted two free throw shots to pull back within three. An inside shot by Lewis gave Grayling a five-point lead with 32 seconds remaining.

Suttons Bay hit a three-pointer at the 0:21 mark to pull within two.

The Norsemen fouled and Wilson converted both free throws, giving

Grayling a 56-52 lead with 15 seconds left on the clock.

Suttons Bay shot the ball, missed, rebounded, and hit a three-point shot with two seconds remaining in the game. The Norsemen stole Grayling's in-bounds pass and fired a jump shot at the buzzer. The shot missed, and Grayling held on for a 56-55 win.

"We jumped out to an early lead in the game, but then struggled to get in rhythm offensively," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "With three minutes left in the game we were down five

and went on a 10-0 run. I was very impressed with our decision making during the last three minutes of the game."

"In the end, it was an exciting game and the kids stepped up big in the fourth quarter, outscoring Suttons Bay 21-15," Coach Kucharek said.

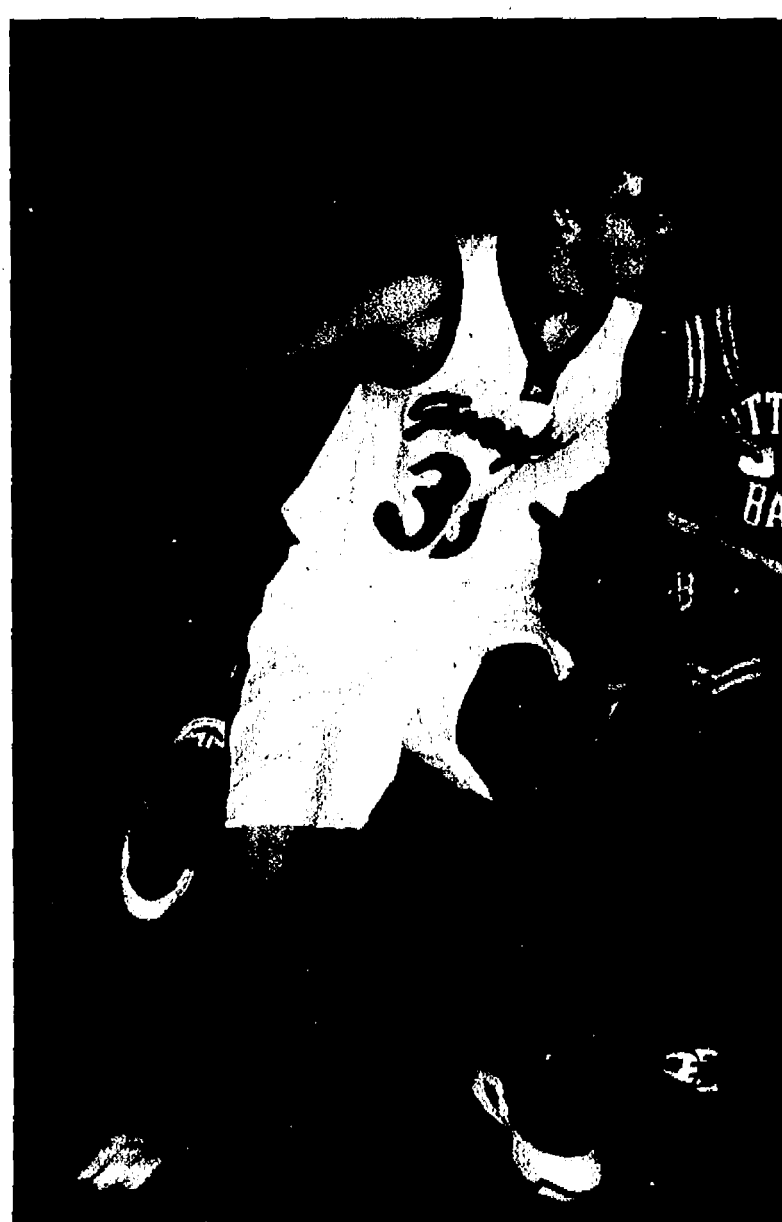
Dean posted a double-double for Grayling with 14 points and 18 rebounds. Lewis had 12 points and Wilson had nine points. Tobin had eight points and five steals. Jensen Aubry had four points, 13 rebounds, and seven assists.

Jake Helsel had six points.

"Griffin Dean had a monster game with 14 points and 18 rebounds," Coach Kucharek said. "Seven assists and 13 rebounds for Jensen Aubry was huge for us. It's not often you see a power forward with seven assists, but Jensen is a pretty good passer for a big."

Grayling's scheduled season opener - a game at Roscommon set for Dec. 9 - was postponed due to weather, and has been rescheduled for Feb. 9.

The Vikings (1-0 overall) will host East Jordan on Tuesday, Jan. 6.



Zane Tobin, left, dribbles the ball for GHS during Saturday's JV contest vs. Suttons Bay. Ethan Lewis, right, sets up for a shot vs. the Norsemen on Saturday afternoon.



Photos by Caleb Casey

## Legal Action

### FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Tammie M. Ledesma, a Single Woman to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Intervale Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 10, 2006 and recorded August 15, 2006 in Liber 682 Page 799 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 1, 2006 MASTR Asset Backed Securities, Trust 2006-HE4 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-HE4, by assignment dated April 2, 2007 and recorded April 11, 2007 in Liber 686, Page 246, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$58,450.20) including interest 10.34% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on January 7, 2009

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 4, Block 24, Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records

Commonly known as 706 Park St, Grayling MI 49738. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption-period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: NOVEMBER 20, 2008 U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 1, 2006 MASTR Asset Backed Securities, Trust 2006-HE4

Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-HE4.

Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 08-01939

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### FORECLOSURE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE

- Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Scott D. Myers and Lisa Myers, husband and wife of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Wilmington Finance, a division of AIG Federal Savings Bank dated the 10th day of November, A.D. 2005, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 17th day of November, A.D. 2005, Liber 678, Page 519 of Crawford Records, which said mortgage was assigned to US Bank National Association ND, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$145,961.84 (one hundred forty-five thousand nine hundred sixty-one and 84/100) plus accrued interest at 7.70% (seven point seven zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 21st day of January, A.D., 2009, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg in Grayling, MI, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Maple Forest, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Township of Maple Forest, County of Crawford, Michigan: Lots 25 and 26, GREENACRE SUBDIVISION, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 40, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as: 5061 Green

Acres Drive PPN: 20-020-060-000-025-00 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: December 18, 2008 WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A. By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938) Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084 WWR# 10017988 ASAP# 2946214 12/18/2008, 12/25/2008, 01/01/2009, 01/08/2009

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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Matthew S. Beattie a/k/a Matt S. Beattie, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated December 7, 2007, and recorded on December 17, 2007 in Liber 689 on Page 603, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Nine And 89/100 Dollars (\$45,809.89), including interest at 7% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 21, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northeast

1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, thence South on the 1/8 line, 400 feet to the point of Beginning, thence East 125 feet, thence South to North right of way line of Cameron Bridge Road; thence Northwestly along said right of way line to a point directly South of the point of beginning, thence North to the point of beginning, being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 28 North, Range 4 West. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 18, 2008 For more information, please call: FC S 248.593.1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #207111F02

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gary A. Daneluk, a single man and Tamara L. Harwood, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 18, 2007, and recorded on October 23, 2007 in Liber 689 on Page 43, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mort-

gage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Sixteen And 53/100 Dollars (\$82,916.53), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 7, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel B-1: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West, thence South 87 degrees 58 minutes East 330.0 feet along the Section line, thence North 0 degrees 40 minutes West 393.07 feet, thence North 76 degrees 41 minutes 21 seconds East 318.85 feet, along center line of County Road 612 to the point of beginning, thence continuing North 76 degrees 41 minutes 21 seconds East 207.49 feet, on said line, thence North 53 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds East 137.62 feet along Northerly line of Railroad Grade, thence North 0 degrees 39 minutes West 702.68 feet, thence South 89 degrees 20 minutes West 314.48 feet, thence South 0 degrees 40 minutes East 828.06 feet to the point of beginning.

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 27, 2008 For more information, please call: FC S 248.593.1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #232053F01

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brenda Gerow and Theodore R. Gerow, Wife and Husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2006, and recorded on November 15, 2006 in Liber 684 on Page 177, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-FFI as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Five And 68/100 Dollars (\$60,525.68), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 21, 2009. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 132 Feet East of the Northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of section 3, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, thence South 330.0 Feet, thence East 229.5 Feet, thence North 330.0 Feet, thence West 229.5 Feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 18, 2008 For more information, please call: FC G 248.593.1310 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #235592F01

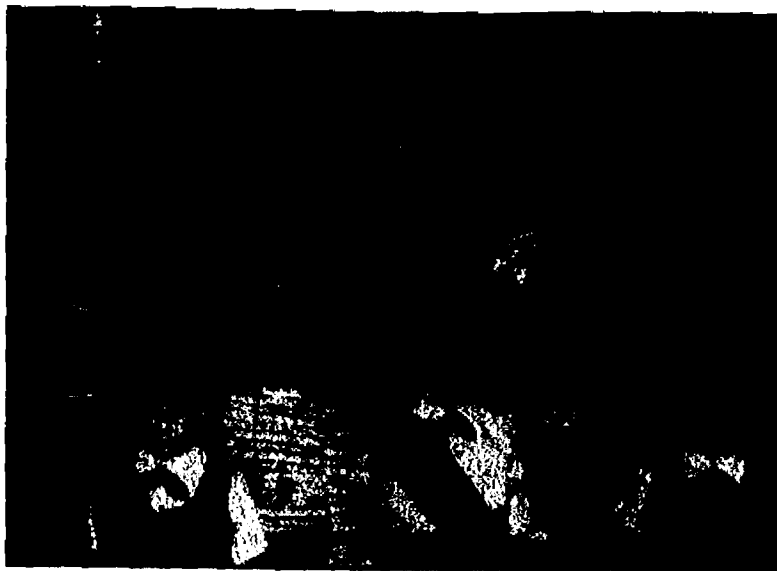
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# Features

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## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



**December 19, 1985 - The Brownies helped set up the Girl Scout Mitten Tree at Goodale's Bakery to collect mittens, hats, gloves and scarves to give to needy families. Pictured are Mistey McClanahan, Melissa Brunskill, Lindsey Brinks, Brooke Blaauw, Jennifer Pahssen and Lyndsay Oliver of Troop 2014. The Troop leaders are Nancy McClanahan and Mary Kay Blaauw. Other members of Troop 2014 that are not shown are Jeanne Timmins, Amy Neal, Nicole Rice, Nicole Siwula and Alison VanHill.**

### 23 Years Ago December 19, 1985

Mike Branch, a 1960 All-State football player, was honored December 5 along with the 1985 Detroit News All-State Football "Dream Team." Branch received the Harvey Barcus Award in a ceremony held in Detroit by the newspaper. The Harvey Barcus Award is given to one member of an all-state team who has gone on to contribute to high school sports in the state. Each year the award is given to one person from the all-state team selected 25 years ago. Branch

played offensive right guard and defensive linebacker for Class C St. Agatha in a Detroit Parochial league. Branch was All-City, All-League and All-State his senior year.

Requests for county ordinances restricting types of dancing and minors participating in open house parties will be reviewed by the Crawford County Prosecuting Attorney, Mary Harland, chairperson of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, asked the prosecuting attorney to review the ordinance requests to provide more

information for the county board.

Michelle Moore, only a junior, was named to the Michigan Huron Shores All-Conference team. Senior Kim Springer and junior Shawn Denton received honorable mention for girls basketball.

Trocal Company, the manufacturer of the roof placed on the high school, is paying to have a new roof installed over the high school gym. Bloxum Roofing, of Traverse City, will be installing the new roof over the gym as soon as final authorization is made by the Trocal Company. The new roof portion will cost Trocal about \$40,000. The school district doesn't pay anything because the roof was guaranteed. The roof over the gym was installed in 1984, when a new roof was placed over the entire high school. The gym roof is being replaced because it has leaked periodically since last year.

### 46 Years Ago December 20, 1962

The City of Grayling has started work on a skating rink on the former City Park property near Mercy Hospital, and weather cooperating, will be completed this week. The city will clear the rink of snow after each snow fall during the winter.

The Grayling Sportsman's Club now has deer hay for sale at \$1.25 a bale. Hay may be purchased at the Grayling Gulf Service Station on Cedar Street. Now is the time to start feeding the deer for the winter before they become run down physically.

### 69 Years Ago December 21, 1939

Ernest Olson is driving a new 1940 Chevrolet special deluxe town sedan and Earl Mathewson is driving a special deluxe sport sedan, both purchased from Alfred Hanson.

The new office for the Bureau of Social Aid has been opened in the basement of the courthouse. Mrs. Laura Olson is the supervisor.

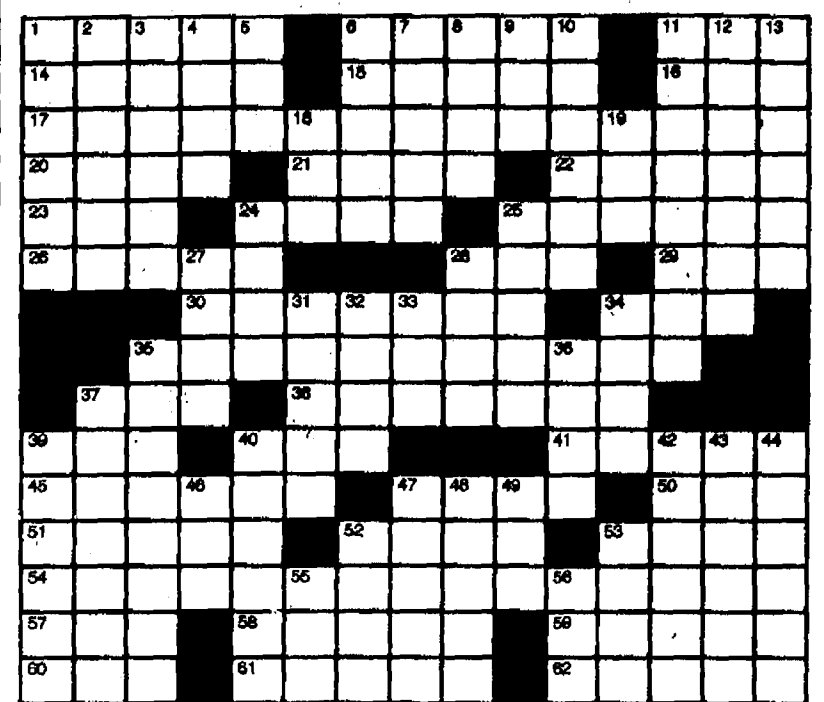
The Moose basketball team was victorious, in a game played against Cadillac, by a score of 42 to 28. Don Smock and Keith Bowen were the high scorers for the evening.

### 92 Years Ago December 21, 1916

Arthur McIntyre and Tony Nelson have bought out Fischer vulcanizing. Mr. McIntyre will leave soon for Akron, Ohio, where he will take a course in tire repair. They expect to be open for business around March 1.

Leo Schram is assisting in the post office during the holiday rush.

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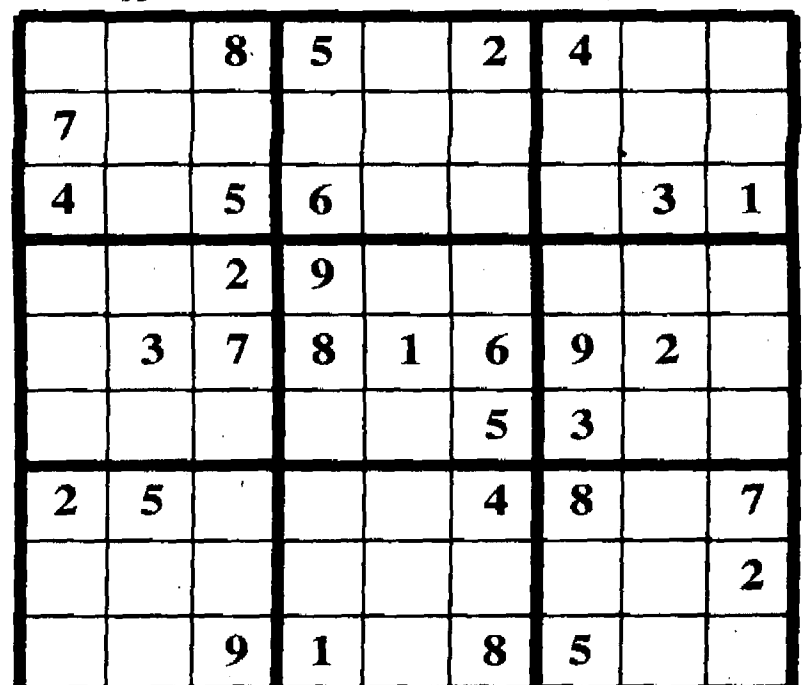
1. Gush forth
6. Zeno, notably
11. Family dog, for short
14. Sprite flavor
15. Waterwheel with buckets
16. Balloon filler
17. In an unpatriotic manner
20. Mosque V.I.P.
21. Chooses, with "for"
22. "Remember the \_\_\_!"
23. "Wheels"
24. Caddie's bagful
25. Common allergen
26. Admittance
28. Consumes
29. "\_\_\_ calls?"
30. Parisian gangsters
34. Amazon, e.g.
35. People engaged in a particular occupation
37. "So \_\_\_ me!"
38. Piece of ground with specific characteristics
39. Costa del \_\_\_
40. "The Joy Luck Club" author
41. Crows' homes
45. Lift, so to speak
47. Mass of hard consolidated mineral matter
50. Hawaiian dish
51. Mouldings in the shape of an S
52. Calendar span
53. Pudding fruit
54. Rationalism
57. "Fantasy Island" prop
58. Common aspiration
59. Plain plinth that supports a wall
60. Big \_\_\_ Conference
61. Spooks
62. Animal in a roundup

### Down

1. Floodgate
2. Scribe
3. Bestow
4. Be itinerant
5. Atlanta-based station
6. Marsh bird
7. Hon
8. Crumbs
9. "Rocky \_\_\_"
10. Tropical American trees
11. Space cadet's place
12. Disorder
13. Vine of the genus Bryonia
18. \_\_\_ v. Wade
19. "Is that \_\_\_?"
24. Dittography, e.g.
25. Ottoman title
27. Pink, as a steak
28. Frau's partner
31. Essential oil or perfume obtained from flowers
32. Wild goose having white adult plumage
33. "\_\_\_ Town Too" (1981 hit)
34. Bang-up
35. Brief report
36. Farm call
37. Polished and well-groomed
39. Affected by blight
40. Magnetic induction units
42. Unite
43. Dishevel
44. Stew
46. Charge
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49. French vineyard
52. Abominable Snowman
53. Connive
55. Back talk
56. Beast of burden

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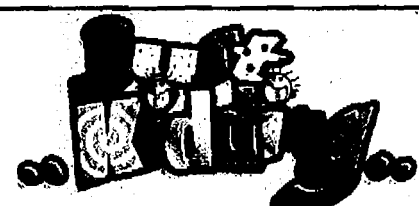
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ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



# HOROSCOPES

For the week of December 18, 2008



December 22-January 19

Stand firm, Capricorn, and stay true to your principles, even if it means you have to turn down the request of a loyal friend. They will respect you for it later.



March 21-April 19

There is money to be made in a partnership, so team up, Aries. A party promises to be big, and boy, will it ever. Be ready for the shock of all shocks.



June 22-July 22

Smile, Cancer. Fresh faces are coming into your life. Welcome them into the fold and the relationships you make will reward you in numerous ways.



September 23-October 22

A reality check is in order. Something you have been pursuing for some time is beyond your reach. Give up the dream. Libra, and a more attainable one will appear.



January 20-February 18

This is not the time to throw caution to the wind, Aquarius. You have taken far too many personal risks lately, some of which did not pan out. Err on the side of caution.



April 20-May 20

Not interested in being the flavor of the month, Taurus? Play your cards right and your popularity could continue for months. Magic is worth making at home.



July 23-August 22

Been a while since you indulged yourself, Leo? Then you won't want to miss out on the opportunity coming up. The time has come to get passionate about your career.



October 23-November 21

This is not the time to let feelings dictate your actions, Scorpio. Think things through before you act. A memento inspires merrymaking like no other.



November 22-December 21

Physical fitness falls by the wayside as you begin preparing for the festivities ahead. Don't worry, Pisces. You will soon return to your normal routine.



May 21-June 21

Don't be shy, Gemini. Accept those party invitations, get out there and meet new people. The gift of a lifetime awaits. A note sheds light on a matter at home.



August 23-September 22

Harmony reigns at home, Virgo, and you accomplish your to-do list with finesse. A new person in your life has a full plate and could use a helping hand.



November 22-December 21

Get ready. Passion moves into the driver's seat and takes you for a wild ride. A last-ditch effort to finish a gift comes up rosy. Money-making ideas start whirling.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

## ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today!



### DAVID LOVES CUDDLY CATS!

David says you should adopt a cat from the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter "because they are cuddly!" Come to the shelter and meet our great cats. There are many fine pets looking for loving new homes this holiday season.

Visit us at: [www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org](http://www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org)

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds

Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday through Saturday, 10 to 12 pm on Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our web site [www.aussc.petfinder.com](http://www.aussc.petfinder.com)

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## PESTO TWISTS

### Ingredients:

- 1 package (17.3 oz.) frozen puff pastry sheets, thawed
- 1 container (7 oz.) refrigerated pesto with basil

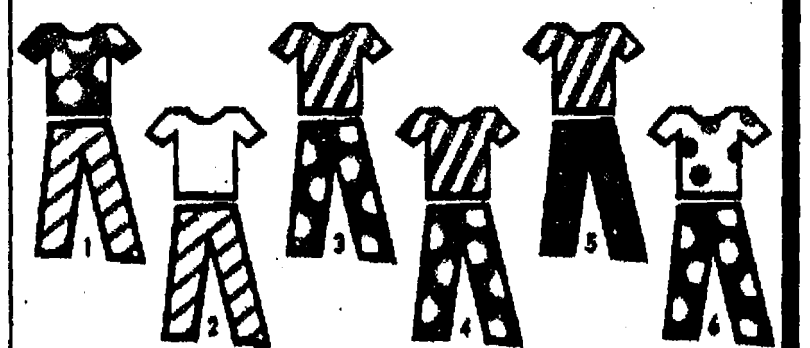
- 1/2 cup chopped hazelnuts or almonds
- 1/2 cup freshly shredded parmesan cheese

**Directions:** Preheat oven to 400° F. Place pastry sheets on lightly floured surface. Roll each sheet into 12-inch square. Spread pesto over one rolled pastry sheet. Sprinkle nuts and cheese evenly over pesto. Lay second sheet on top and press lightly. Cut into twelve 1-inch-wide strips. Twist each strip and place on baking sheet. Bake for 15 minutes or until light golden brown.

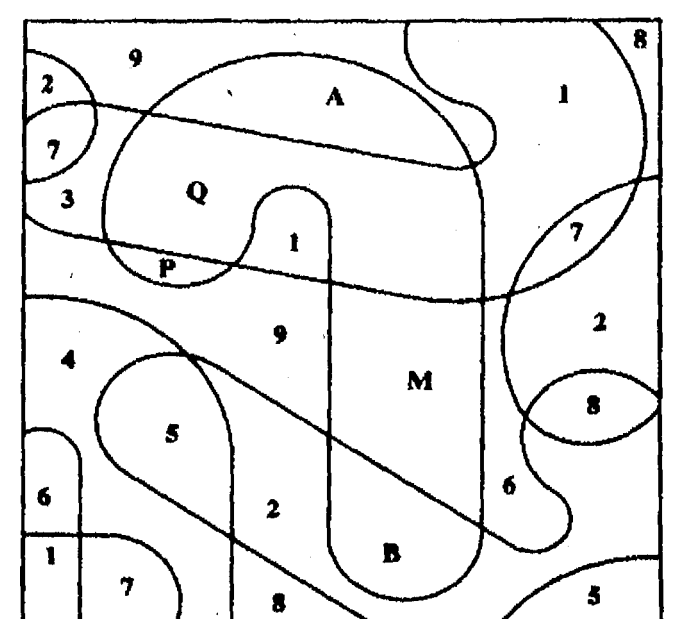
Makes: 12 Twists

## FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



## HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

### Last Week

Date	H	L	Snow inches
12/9	24	15	5
12/10	27	15	3
12/11	22	21	0
12/12	28	15	0.5
12/13	20	12	0
12/14	34	19	1
12/15	43	31	0

### Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 25	High 25	High 23	High 24	High 18	High 21
Low 23	Low 10	Low 16	Low 13	Low 13	Low 16
Cloudy	Snow Showers	Snow Showers	Snow	Few Snow Showers	Cloudy

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## 1. Real Estate

**BEAUTIFUL HOME** in town of Frederic. Great shape, new carpet, new paint. 4 bedrooms, large yard, 2 car garage, carport, full basement and new appliances. Don't miss this one! \$75,000. Call 989-348-5587. (-18-25/1)

## 1. Real Estate

**LAKE MARGRETHE** Grayling, large waterfront home, many features, \$284,900. 989-344-1269 or 989-915-9467. (-11-18-25-1/1)

## 1. Real Estate

**2-3 BEDROOM** 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling, price reduced. (586)446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

## 1. Real Estate

**MOBILE HOME** 2-3 bedroom for sale, owner finance on lot, 989-348-5278 or 586-405-0030. (3/20/08tf/1)

## 2. For Rent

**FOR RENT** Very nice one bedroom apartment located at 126 Fulton Street in Grayling. Great view and direct walk out to the AuSable River. \$625 per month includes all utilities. Call Northwood Rentals, 344-8787. (-18-25/2)

**THREE BEDROOM HOME** In town with fenced in yard, close to schools and business district. \$600 a month. Call 231-301-2971 for more information. (-18/2)

## 1. Real Estate

**COMMERCIAL**  
Seven rental units just north of Frederic. Building 1 has 5 units and is a block building 16 x 90. Units 1 thru 5 are efficiency units. Building 2 is a duplex which are 2 bedroom, 1 bath. #5780 \$100,000  
Call **Pete Kocofas**  
Century 21  
989-344-1800  
Grayling

## 2. For Rent

**Grayling Pines Apartments** is currently accepting applications for beautiful 1 & 2 bedroom apartments. Rent is based on 30% of your income; low to moderate incomes are welcome. Barrier free apartment waiting list is currently open. These apartments offer a patio, walk-in closets, air conditioning, garbage disposal, window treatments, neutral decor, and spacious living areas, also a very nice playground area. Free heat and free hot water. For Personal showing please call Jerry @ (989) 344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777

## 3. Employment

**MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING**  
Partnering with **MUNSON HEALTHCARE**  
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New grads welcome

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Grayling, MI 49738  
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Fax (989)348-0485  
E-mail slewis@trinity-health.org  
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## 2. For Rent

**SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE** at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007tf/2)

**MOBILE HOME FOR RENT** 3 bedroom, 2 bath, double wide mobile home. \$750 per month, utilities included. In the country, seven miles S.E. of Grayling on Wilderness Trail between 4 Mile Rd. and M-72 E. 989-348-6994 or 989-370-3219. (-11-18-25/2)

**KITCHENETTE UNITS FOR RENT** by the week or month. 989-348-8471. (12/4/08tf/2)

**WHISPERING PINES APARTMENTS**  
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**Cobble Creek II Apartments**  
offered in Crawford County by Gardner Management  
Newly renovated inside and out.  
One and Two Bedroom Units Available  
Heat, Water/Sewer, Landscaping, Snowplowing and Trash Removal Included with Rent  
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• Laundry Facilities  
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NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS  
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TDD 1-800-760-1997  
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Income Restrictions Apply

## 3. Employment

## 2. For Rent

**SMALL FURNISHED** 2 bedroom with garage, north of Higgins Lake. \$500 a month, first and last month rent. Credit report obtained. 989-939-8965. (-11-18/2)

**BIG HOUSE** Mobile homes and cabins at Lost Acres. 4 bedroom log home, \$575; 2 bedroom mobile homes, \$375 plus utilities; cabins from \$275 - \$375 with free utilities. 11004 - 11010 N. Old US 27, no pets at all. 1-877-227-6976, more details at [www.quality-homerentals.net](http://www.quality-homerentals.net) (Northern Michigan Units). (11/20/08tf/2)

**FOR RENT** Efficiency apartment in Frederic. \$375 a month, \$200 deposit. Includes heat, electric, plowing, garbage and cable TV. 348-2137. No pets. (-18-25/2)

**TWO BEDROOM** 1 bath. Washer and dryer hook up, refrigerator and range included, utilities not included, no pets. \$450 a month plus security. 6272 Old Lake Rd. 989-348-4716. (11/6/08tf/2)

**HOME FOR RENT** 4 to 6 bedroom, 2 bath executive retreat with outbuildings in Lovells. \$1,200 per month plus utilities. Call 989-732-2600. (7/10/08tf/2)

**3 BEDROOM** 2 bath home for rent in Grayling. \$600 a month plus utilities. Option to buy. 989-732-6582. (-18-25/2)

**NICE** 2 bedroom single wide just west of the Manistee River, 15549 West M-72. \$450 per month, \$450 security deposit. 231-342-9726. (-18-25/2)

**MOBILE HOMES** 4 RENT 2 and 3 bedroom, \$425 and up. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

**COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR RENT** Lots of parking, stand alone structure and good location. 989-348-8471. (12/4/08tf/2)

**COZY 2 BEDROOM HOUSE** 8 miles south of Grayling. Appliances, washer and dryer hookups, no pets and no smoking. \$425 per month plus utilities. Available January 1st, 734-578-8630. (-18/2)

**WORKERS TO SHARE HOUSE** and utilities. Call 989-348-3215. (-18-25/2)

## 3. Employment

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As SDC, you'll provide staff education and oversight of infection control program and conduct Quality Assurance Audits. The ideal candidate is a Registered Nurse with long-term care experience and a desire to be part of a resident centered care giving team.

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Very energy efficient home with SIPS wall construction. Charming, modern, quality throughout with tile and hardwood floors. Finished basement hobby/rec room and tons of storage. Heated garage and work shop, underground sprinklers and wonderful landscaping top off this 2.8 acre oasis on a quiet paved county road. #6020 \$157,500

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1056 FEET OF FRONTAGE ON SHUPAC LAKE WITH 20 ACRES OF PRIME WOODS. You've earned the prestige... you deserve the privacy this exquisite log home has to offer. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large open living-dining room w/ vaulted ceilings, grand natural stone fireplace, family game room, new cherry kitchen cabinets, with top of the line stainless steel appliances. Granite counters, sprinkler system, and many updated amenities. CS-2708 \$660,000

**MANISTEE RIVER**  
215' OF FRONTAGE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE MANISTEE RIVER 6.44 acres includes guest quarters. Spectacular cedar sided river home offers 2 bedrooms, 2 baths with 1,535 sq. ft. cathedral ceilings. Wrap around deck with private setting. 2 car detached garage. CS-2727 \$169,000

**NEW LISTING**  
BEAUTIFUL 10 ACRES OF HARDWOODS. Secluded 10 acres of beautiful hardwoods adjoining state land. 2,112 s.f. home with three bedrooms, one bath, and jacuzzi room. Large master bedroom suite with dormer onto balcony. Attached 24x48 garage featuring work shop with 220 electrical and large unfinished second level. Detached 16x18 garage and 6x8 dog kennel. CH-2781 \$119,900

**NEW LISTING**  
187' FRONTAGE ON WAKELEY CREEK. Private walking trail to Ausable River "Holy" water section. 2,870 s.f. Colonial home. Four bedrooms, two baths, and finished basement. Brick fireplace in family room with wood stove insert. Formal entry with lockers and open staircase. New flooring and interior paint. Attached insulated garage with workshop. Two story cedar barn with lean-to. Beautiful landscaping and gazebo overlooking creek. CH-2784 \$175,000

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## 1. Real Estate

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## 3. Employment

**HOME AUCTION**

**9 Grayling Area Homes**  
Thursday, Jan 15th at 7pm  
From the Ramada Grayling Conference Center, 2650 I-75 Business Loop in Grayling

**FEATURED HOMES**

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## 2 For Rent

**BEAUTIFUL FULLY FURNISHED** Luxury apartment in downtown Grayling on the AuSable River. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Open living room design. \$900 a month plus utilities. Includes all lawn maintenance and snowplowing. 989-370-1290. (10/2/08tf/2)

**3 BEDROOM** 2 bathrooms, attached garage with door opener, stove, refrigerator and laundry with washer and dryer. \$650 monthly plus utilities and \$350 deposit. Absolutely no pets. Credit and work references required. 989-348-5911, cell, 989-370-1696. (-11-18/2)

**VERY LARGE 2 BEDROOM** 2 bath house on AuSable Trail. On seven acres, very quiet, new carpet, washer and dryer, garage and partially furnished. Dogs possible, references and security deposit. Available January 1st, no deadbeat renters please. 989-370-0968. (-11-18/2)

**HALL FOR RENT** 120 person capacity. Beaver Creek Township, call 989-275-8878. (LR4/16/09/2)

## 2 For Rent

**NEWLY REMODELED MOBILE HOME** 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 car garage. \$500 a month plus security deposit. M-72 East. 348-2765. (-18/2)

**3 BEDROOM HOME** Near town, quiet road, small one car garage. \$550 a month plus deposit. 989-390-3980. (-18-25/2)

## 3. Employment

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY** 15 individuals needed. Due to a massive growth, our company is looking for hard working men and women to start work immediately. General labor, customer service and management trainee. All applicants must be neat in appearance and ready to start immediately. Corporate training provided. Call Monday and Tuesday, 989-732-8439. (-18/3)

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**J. DAP** Is the place for last minute Christmas gifts! Free gift wrapping! J. Dap will be open Friday, December 19, until 7 p.m. and Christmas Eve until 4 p.m.! J. Dap is located at 118 Michigan Avenue in Grayling. (-18-25/3)

## 4. Services Offered

**RTH HOME IMPROVEMENT** all your interior and exterior needs. Garages, additions, drywall, painting, roofing, siding, decks, and more. Licensed and insured, free estimates. Rob Harrington 989-344-1383. (-9/16/04tf/4)

**D. HAWES** Driver's Training: Northern Driving School will be offering classes year-round in Grayling and surrounding areas. The only local driving school in Crawford and Roscommon counties. Segment I \$275, Segment II \$40. 989-344-2470. (05/22/08tf/4)

**SNOW & ICE REMOVAL** off roofs, snowplowing and entranceways cleared. 30 years experience, insured and will travel. Call Jerry 989-348-7046. (-11-18-25/4)

**PROFESSIONAL** Roof clearing / snow and ice removal. We protect shingles, pipes and exterior fixtures from damage during clearing. Call anytime 989-390-6172. (-18-25/4)

**WE SHOVEL SNOW** Not shingles. Call Mark 989-390-8384 or Jeff 989-390-8110. (-11-18/4)

**SNOW PLOWING** Reasonable rates, Grayling area. 989-390-1367 or 989-745-1850. (-11-18-25/4)

## 3. Employment

### JOB ANNOUNCEMENT OSCODA COUNTY FRIEND OF THE COURT OFFICE Mio, Michigan

**CASEWORKER / ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** Full-time position available in Mio, Michigan with the Friend of the Court Office.

**Qualifications** - Bachelors Degree in sociology, criminal justice or other related field is required.

**DUTIES** - Conduct interviews and court appearances on domestic relations cases regarding custody, child support and parenting time. Initiate child support enforcement proceedings and provide ongoing case supervision. Provide mediation services on custody and parenting time issues.

Computer knowledge and skills are mandatory. Must be able to pass a Criminal History Background Check. This is a union position, wages, hours and benefits will be discussed at the time of the interview.

Resumes are to be sent to Charlene K. Barker, Director, Friend of the Court Office, P.O. Box 837, Tawas City, MI 48764.

We are an Equal Opportunity employer.

## 4. Services Offered

**PROFESSIONAL HEMMING** jeans, dresses, slacks, etc. Custom bedding, weddings. 989-344-2444. (-4-18/4)

**TAKE OUT** Freshly baked to order, cakes, pies, cookies and assorted desserts. Made to order, homemade soups, casseroles, egg dishes, roasted chicken, Mexican, muffins and breads. Seating for 12 for breakfast, lunch or dinner in formal dining room of beautiful old Victorian folk style house. Also, ladies teas and desserts. Kellie Kitchen, 348-2749. (-4-11-18-25/4)

**ROOF SNOW REMOVAL** Quality work, reasonable prices and 20 years experience. 989-348-9703 or 989-390-1106. (sgf-11-18/4)

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**BANJO & ACOUSTIC GUITAR LESSONS** In my Grayling home, weekly and private. Call 989-344-1104. (-27-4-11-18/4)

**KNEE DEEP SNOW REMOVAL** Competitive rates for excellent work! Walkways are included in our service. 989-619-6742. (-18-25-1-8/4)

**SNOW CLEANING** Free estimates. 989-348-5813, ask for Tim. (-18-25-1-8/4)

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**Therapeutic Massage for Women & Children**

1 hour - \$40.00  
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*Also available - waxing for hands and feet and soothing hand massage with heated towels. Chair massage at request. All natural fresh juices/drinks.*

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## 3. Employment

## 4. Services Offered

**PROFESSIONAL CATERING** And DJ services, all Bose equipment, 70,000 plus songs. 989-732-6582, any occasion. (-18-25/4)

**BABYSITTING** In my home located in town or in your home. I am a qualified caregiver. 989-745-3233 or 989-348-3215. (-18-25/4)

## 5. For Sale

**CABIN LOGS** rough sawn lumber, kiln dried lumber, tongue & groove, log siding, custom sawing. T. Warren Sawmill. 989-619-0840. (LR01/29/08/5)

**WAKELEY'S FIREWOOD** seasoned oak, cut, split & delivered \$55 a cord. Minimum 2 cord. 989-348-7839 or 989-348-8280. (-4-11-18-25/5)

**DOWNHILL SKIS** and boots. Volkl's P50-155, race solomon bindings \$75; P60-165 race \$150; T50 5 Star Supersport 168 \$100; marker piston bindings and K2 Merlin VI 167 marker bindings \$75. Nordica boots 29.5 (approx.) size 11-12. Call 989-348-5156. (sgf-11-18/5)

**MARTY'S FIREWOOD** Oak firewood \$55 per face cord. Also poplar, maple, cherry - for less. Buyers of standing or down timber, 989-390-3930. (-18-25-1-8-15-22/5)

**PUPPIES FOR SALE** Shih-Tzu poodle mix, eight weeks old, one male, one female, shots and wormed. Small lap dogs, great Christmas gift, \$250 or best offer. Call 989-701-5535. (-18-25-1/5)

## 8. Announcements

## 5. For Sale

**1999 SKI DOO MXZ 600**, 2,162 miles with studs and pipes, \$1,800. 231-229-5015. (-11-18-25-1/5)

**YAMAHA LS 2000** 270 hp jet boat, year 2000. A must see, very low hours. \$10,500 OBO, must sell. 989-344-8802 or 231-624-0107. (11/13/08tf/5)

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**.32 CARAT DIAMOND** Engagement ring with 14k yellow gold. Appraised at \$1,300, asking \$800. Never used, must sell. 390-4172. (-11-18/5)

## 6. Wanted

**WARREN FOREST PRODUCTS** Now buying standing timber. Call 989-348-7133 during day and leave a message. Evenings call 231-229-4845, ask for Chan. (LR01/29/08/6)

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**SNOWBLOWER** For 1994 Ranchkin lawn tractor, 18 hp. Write to: Don 2142 Eaton, Grayling, MI 49738. (-18-25/6)

## 8. Announcements

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

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## 3. Employment



### MERCY HOME CARE MERCY HOSPICE

Full Time - RN - HOSPICE - Grayling Office

This position is perfect for the RN who is seeking one on one patient care, positive team environment, and a flexible schedule. In return for your nursing expertise, we provide competitive wages, generous PTO, and a comprehensive benefit package that includes pension and a 403B.

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Brenda Lake  
Business / Facilities Manager  
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Direct Phone: 989-344-4402  
FAX: 989-348-4380

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## Save a Lot

Save-A-Lot Food Store is searching for qualified candidates for the position of **Meat Journeyman** in the Grayling Save-A-Lot Food Store at 2333 S. I-75 Business Loop Grayling, Michigan 49738.

### Minimum Qualifications

- Willing to perform physical work, including meat cutting, stocking, cleaning, in a busy grocery store environment.
- Meat cutting or retail experience is required.
- High School Diploma /GED

### We Offer You

- Competitive hourly wage
- Full benefits: including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, 401K, paid vacations, disability,
- Promotions from within
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Please See in Person:  
Bob or Louis  
Save-A-Lot  
2333 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Grayling, Michigan 49738



### MERCY HOME CARE MERCY HOSPICE

Contingent - RN - Hospice

We are currently looking to add a contingent registered nurse who is seeking one on one patient care, positive team environment, and a flexible schedule. Must be a graduate from an accredited school and have a current Michigan license.

Requirements: Minimum 1 year of professional nursing experience, ability to assess and act upon client needs without direct supervision, and willingness to travel in our geographic region.

At Mercy Home Care and Hospice we are among the Elite Top 500 Home Cares and have been identified as a National Best Practice Agency. Check the Medicare website to see how we compare with other Home Care and Hospice.

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Contingent - Home Health Aide - Hospice

Home Health Aide will provide personal care of patient under the supervision of a Registered Nurse and in accordance with a plan of treatment and care. Skills must include interpersonal skills, the ability to work with patients and their families, and the interdisciplinary team. Willingness to travel in our geographic region, reliable transportation a must. We represent our mission and values in every employee and volunteer, and we want you to join in that tradition.

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Library Board of Trustees is accepting bid/proposals for a camera security system for the Devereaux Memorial Library located at 201 Plum Street. All interested parties must submit their documents by 5:00 pm on December 31, 2008.

## NOTICE

The Crawford AuSable School District is accepting applications for an appointment on the School Board of Education through June 2009.

### Deadline:

Written application must be relieved by the Central Office (located inside the high school), Attn: Secretary of the Board, no later than Noon on Tuesday, December 23, 2008.

If any questions, please call Superintendent Joe Powers at 344-3750.

Crawford AuSable School District  
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## 8. Announcements



Photos by Caleb Casey

**Tyler Sharp (160) pins his Traverse City St. Francis opponent during last week's conference meet at Grayling High School.**

# Vikings defeat TCSF, Kalkaska in conference wrestling opener

Continued from 1B

In the final match of the night, Grayling defeated Kalkaska 66-10.

Joey Contreras (189) — in the first weight class of the match-up — pinned his Kalkaska opponent in the first round. Dennis Lund (215), Peters (heavyweight), Bergey (103), and Ashton Linkhart (112) all won by default. White (119) won by pin in the first round. Jacob Ervan (125) won by default. Dan Duvall

(130) won by decision, 13-3. Anthony Allison (135) won by default. Josh Moggo (140) won by decision, 15-0. Collen (145) won 5-2. Grove (171) won by pin in the first round.

On Saturday, Dec. 13, the Vikings finished second in a 10-team tournament held in Manton.

Final team placements included: Kingsley, 1st; Grayling, 2nd; Holton, 3rd; Kent City, 4th; Manton, 5th; Hart, 6th; Boyne City, 7th;

Charlevoix, 8th; Kalkaska,  
9th; Elk Rapids, 10th.

Nine Vikings made it to the finals. Individual placements for GHS included:

White (112), 1st; Collen (145), 1st; Duvall (130), 2nd; Peters (heavyweight), 2nd; Allison (135), 3rd; Grove (171), 3rd; Townsend (215), 3rd; Moggo (140), 4th; Contreras (189), 4th.

The Vikings (2-0 league) will compete in the Oscoda Invitational on Saturday, Dec. 20.



**Cody Collen (145) wrestles against Kalkaska on Thursday night. Collen won the match by decision, 5-2.**



**Joe White (119) pins his Kalkaska counterpart during last Thursday's wrestling meet at GHS.**

## Bowling Leagues

<b>Recreation League</b>		McDonald's.....53 - 52	493. High Game Men: E.
Days Inn.....4 - 0		Miller Spillers...51.5 - 53.5	Brosky, 180; B. Hollis, 179;
GMH-NCPC.....3 - 1		L & L Hauling...40 - 65	P. Faustman, 175.
Woody Girls.....3 - 1		Legion.....38 - 67	<b>National First</b>
Glen's Market.....3 - 1		High Series Women: R.	Continental Rental...62 - 29
American Legion...1 - 3		Wall, 527; P. Younglove,	Hagerman Const...50 - 4
Robin Smith CPA...1 - 3		472; S. Johnson, 461. High	GADCO.....48 - 43
Grayling Nursing...1 - 3		Game Women: R. Wall,	Pittman Bld.....48 - 43
TNT Charter.....0 - 4		204; J. Williamson and P.	Primary Electric...39 - 52
High Series: S. Johnson,		Younglove, 179. High	High Series: D. Lawe, 628;
and A. D'Amour, 472. High		Series Men: P. Benardo,	R. Sartin, 564; K. Francis,
Game: S. Johnson, 193; S.		545; S. Pittman, 544; M.	562. High Game: K.
Harney, 190; P. D'Amour,		Forbes, 542. High Game	Francis, 243; R. Sartin, 237;
138.		Men: D. Williamson, 216;	D. Lawe, 232.
<b>Pioneer League</b>		S. Pittman, 211; P. Benardo,	<b>Sunday Mixed</b>
Grayling Rest.....37 - 19		205.	<b>Doubles</b>
Ole Dam Store...37 - 19		<b>Thursday Morning</b>	Hard Balls.....63 - 28
T.C. Lawncare.....32 - 24		<b>Coffee</b>	Team Shocker...58 - 33
Eagles Nest.....30 - 26		Three Amigos...29 - 19	Salon Rue.....46 - 45
5 B's.....26 - 30		Misfits.....28 - 20	Spikes #2.....45 - 46
American Legion...25 - 31		Bill's Harem.....26 - 22	Growlers.....45 - 46
Ball Busters.....19 - 37		Casino Bums...26 - 22	GrayRock Cafe...38 - 53
Tim's Collision...18 - 38		Rosebuds.....25.5 - 22.5	AJD.....37 - 54
High Series: J. Coors, 559;		Snow Tops.....24.5 - 23.5	Spikes #1.....28 - 63
D. Argue, 545; S. Johnson,		Pin Slayers.....22 - 26	High Series Men: R. Sartin,
540. High Game: L. Rutter,		Ladybugs.....11 - 37	671; J. Thayer, 580; B.
222; J. Coors, 219; D.		High Series Women: I.	Gorr, 555. High Game Men:
Argue, 214.		Cosgray, 453; P. Kennedy,	R. Sartin, 256; N. Mead,
<b>Friday Mixed</b>		438; J. Leask, 433. High	207; B. Gorr, 199. High
<b>Doubles</b>		Game Women: I. Cosgray,	Series Women: L. Mead,
Canadian Steak...62-43		166; R. Brown, 165; P.	478; H. Indorf, 478; J. Dent,
Double Trouble. 61.5 - 43.5		Kennedy, 162. High Series	439. High Game Women:
Fred's of Rosco...60 - 45		Men: B. Hollis, 515; P.	H. Indorf, 192; L. Mead,
Last Call.....54 - 51		Faustman, 514; E. Brosky,	170; J. Dent, 167.